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Memorandum from Legal Counsel to Assistant Director,  
Information Management Division  
Re: National Lawyers Guild v. Attorney General, et al.

of information on the NLG or its projects, the court approved settlement provides that present or former NLG members may request that their individual files which reflect Guild affiliation or activities be similarly withheld. Pursuant to this provision, the NLG has compiled the attached list of individual NLG members who have requested relief under 8c(iv) of the Settlement.<sup>1</sup>

Accordingly, IMD is requested to identify any individual on the attached list who has a file reflecting NLG affiliation or activities which was created prior to 3/1/77. Any identified file should be appropriately labeled to insure non-disclosure as required by the settlement. Please advise Legal Counsel Division as to the results of the indices search, including the number of individual files identifiable with the NLG, individuals for whom no file could be located or are not identical, and the actions taken to comply with the order. In addition, please preserve all search slips in case we are required to respond to the Court regarding our compliance. It is likely that no files will be identified with a substantial number of the individuals on the attached list. Finally, inasmuch as the Settlement applies to all FBI files, the Field should also be requested to conduct indices searches and to appropriately label their files.

We recognize that this is a time-consuming chore that is being imposed on IMD during a time of limited resources. Nevertheless, we have made this commitment to the court and we are

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<sup>1</sup> 8c(iv) provides in part:

c. The federal agencies which are parties defendant to this action (specifically, the FBI, the Central Intelligence Agency, the National Security Agency, the Internal Revenue Service, the Office of Personnel Management, the Postal Service, and the Departments of Defense, Justice, State, the Treasury, the Army, the Navy and the Air Force) shall not use, release or disclose, within or outside the Government:

(iv) any portion of any document or record created prior to March 1, 1977, or the information contained therein, to the extent that it mentions the Guild affiliation or Guild activities of any individual, provided, however, that because of the federal defendants' representation of the practical impossibility of assuring compliance with such broad restrictions, the following limitations shall apply:

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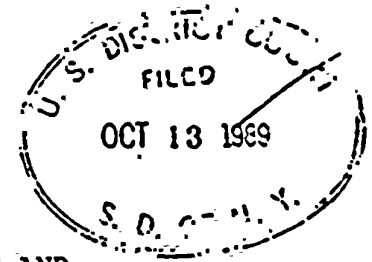
obligated to comply irrespective of the unreasonably large number of individuals. Therefore your cooperation will be appreciated.

Any questions regarding this matter may be directed to  
Supervisory Special Agent [redacted] Administrative Law  
Unit, LCD, at extension [redacted]

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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK



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NATIONAL LAWYERS GUILD,	:	
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Plaintiff,	:	STIPULATION AND
	:	ORDER OF SETTLEMENT
- against -	:	AND DISMISSAL
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ATTORNEY GENERAL OF THE	:	77 Civ. 999 (PKL)
UNITED STATES, <u>et al.</u> ,	:	
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Defendants.	:	

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IT IS HEREBY STIPULATED AND AGREED by and among the parties as follows:

1. The parties agree to settle and compromise this action on the terms indicated below.
2. This action is hereby dismissed with prejudice as to all defendants except the City of New York, i.e., the "federal defendants."
3. Plaintiff hereby releases and forever discharges, and for its administrators, successors and assigns releases and forever discharges, the United States of America, its departments, agencies and past or present officials, officers and employees (and their heirs, executors, administrators, successors and assigns) from all claims whatsoever, in law, admiralty, or equity, which plaintiff and its administrators, successors and assigns hereafter can, shall or may have for, upon or by reason of any surveillance, investigation, disruption, or similar conduct by the Federal Bureau of Investigation ("FBI") directed toward the National Lawyers Guild (the "Guild") at any time prior to the date of this stipulation; provided, however, that



plaintiff is entitled to rely upon the federal defendants' representations set forth in paragraph 7 below, and any claim based upon any conduct of the federal defendants inconsistent with such representations shall not be barred by the above release.

4. Each party shall bear the costs and expenses of this litigation as they have been incurred or paid as of the date of this stipulation and no costs or expenses shall be taxed subsequently. Plaintiff and its attorneys waive all claims for attorneys' fees and expenses in connection with the prosecution of this action.

5. This stipulation and agreement does not constitute an admission by the plaintiff that any of the conduct of the federal defendants was lawful, or an admission by the federal defendants or any of their present or former officials, officers or employees that any of their conduct was unlawful or legally actionable.

6. Without conceding the legality or illegality of any of the federal defendants' actions, the parties agree that the discovery in this case has shown the following:

a. The FBI engaged in extensive activities with respect to the Guild for the period 1940 through March 1975, and in the course of those activities generated voluminous files on the Guild.

b. It appears more likely than not that between 1940 and 1951 the FBI surreptitiously entered the Guild's national office approximately 7 times without judicial warrant or

Attorney General authorization and copied the Guild's internal records. Some of the material thus obtained provided the Government in advance with drafts of a report the Guild was planning to release criticizing FBI surveillance practices, and with details of the Guild's related public campaign calling for an investigation of the FBI. The FBI used this material in an effort to counter the Guild's report even before its issuance.

c. The FBI without judicial warrant maintained a wiretap on the Guild's national office telephone between 1947 and 1951.

d. Information derived from the surreptitious entries formed a material part of the information placed before the Attorney General for his consideration in deciding whether to initiate proceedings to designate the Guild as a subversive organization under the Federal Employment Loyalty Security Program, Executive Order 10450. Such designation proceedings were begun in 1953.

e. The FBI received information from an informant on the national executive board of the Guild in 1953 and 1954 who reported on its deliberations and discussions with counsel concerning the Guild's defense of the EO 10450 administrative designation proceedings and its conduct of related litigation against the Government.

f. In 1958, the Department of Justice determined that on the basis of the evidence then available it was unable to go forward with the designation proceedings, and the Attorney General therefore rescinded the proposal to designate the Guild

as a subversive organization under EO 10450. There were no further proceedings against the Guild under EO 10450.

g. The FBI continued its activities with respect to the Guild after the designation proceedings were discontinued in 1958. A Department of Justice review conducted in 1972 of the FBI's files on the Guild for the preceding five years concluded that there was no basis at that time for an investigation of the Guild under the Internal Security Act of 1950. In 1974-1975 the FBI, with Department of Justice authorization, conducted a preliminary inquiry concerning the Guild's prison work without discovering any basis for a further investigation.

h. Alleged or suspected criminal wrongdoing was not the predicate or reason for FBI activity concerning the Guild. No criminal prosecutions of the Guild were ever authorized or undertaken by the Department of Justice.

i. From 1940 through the early 1970's, the FBI placed Guild members on its Security Index, Adex and related indices because of their leadership positions in the Guild or, in some cases, because of their membership in the Guild in conjunction with their actual or suspected membership in other organizations.

j. The FBI engaged in certain COINTELPRO and similar disruptive operations against the Guild and Guild members. The FBI used information it had derived from its other activities with respect to the Guild and Guild members for that purpose.

k. The FBI over several decades provided information from its files on the Guild affiliation and activities of individuals to the National Conference of Bar Examiners at the request of the NCBE.

1. Further, at various times in its activities with respect to the Guild, the FBI used numerous informants and confidential sources, including Guild members and staff and third parties in contact with the Guild; obtained Guild bank records from banks with which the Guild had banking relations; obtained information from the National Conference of Bar Examiners and from some character committees; monitored trash covers on the Guild; and obtained information about the Guild from its surveillance of the law offices of some Guild members, which surveillance included use of trash covers, wiretaps, informants on the temporary or permanent staff of the law offices, bank records and surreptitious entries.

m. The conclusions stated here do not imply that the FBI did or did not engage in other activities.

7. The federal defendants represent as follows:

a. There is not now, and has not been since March 1977, any FBI investigation or preliminary inquiry of any nature of the Guild or its chapters, or of its projects, activities or enterprises readily identifiable as such or of individuals based upon their Guild affiliation or activities, and the FBI does not presently have information warranting any such investigation or preliminary inquiry.



b. To the extent, if any, that FBI inquiries or investigation of third parties has resulted in surveillance or acquisition of information about the Guild since March 1, 1977, no information so acquired has been stored in FBI investigative (i.e., non-litigation) main files on the Guild or its projects (as specified in Appendix A hereto) or see-referenced or otherwise indexed to the Guild or its projects, except as may have been disclosed to the plaintiff in this litigation.

c. There have been no additions to FBI investigative (i.e., non-litigation) main files on the Guild or its projects (as specified in Appendix A) or to see-references on the Guild or its projects, since March 1977, except as may have been disclosed to the plaintiff in this litigation.

d. The FBI is not now, and has not since March 1977, engaged in any activities intended to disrupt or impede the activities of the Guild or the Guild activities of its members, or the activities of individuals based upon their Guild affiliation.

e. The FBI does not now, and has not since March 1977, used Guild members as informants or confidential sources with respect to matters involving the Guild or Guild activities, placed wiretaps or pen registers on Guild telephones, surreptitiously entered Guild premises, obtained access to Guild bank records, maintained mail covers on Guild mail, maintained trash covers on the Guild, obtained access to Guild information at mailhouses used by the Guild, otherwise secured mailing or

membership lists of the Guild or obtained phone records on the Guild's phones.

f. Since March 1, 1977, and presently, the FBI has not provided information on the Guild affiliation or activities of individuals to the National Conference of Bar Examiners or to bar admission committees.

8. The federal defendants agree to the following disposition of their files concerning the plaintiff:

a. For purposes of this provision, the "FBI files on the Guild" means Headquarters, Field Office and Legat main files on the National Lawyers Guild and its projects (as specified in Appendix A); wiretap logs included in the main file on Robert Silberstein; EBF's to the Guild main files and the wiretap logs in the Silberstein main file; the see-reference cards and any other similar computerized or non-computerized reference capable of locating Guild-related information in files other than main files on the Guild, as well as references to the Guild in the Elsur Index and any indices to the informant files; and copies of the foregoing and any summaries thereof included in the FBI file on this litigation (62-117572). It is limited to documents created prior to the date of this stipulation.

b. Within 180 days after the date of this stipulation, the FBI shall place all copies of the "FBI files on the Guild" in its possession or custody in secure storage under the supervision of the Deputy Assistant Director, Legal Counsel Division, and shall not dispose of, or permit access to, such

files before the year 2025. At that time the files may be transferred to the National Archives and Records Service.

c. The federal agencies which are parties defendant to this action (specifically, the FBI, the Central Intelligence Agency, the National Security Agency, the Internal Revenue Service, the Office of Personnel Management,\* the Postal Service, and the Departments of Defense, Justice, State, the Treasury, the Army, the Navy and the Air Force), shall not use, release or disclose, within or outside the Government:

(i) any "FBI files on the Guild" readily identifiable as such, or copies thereof, in their possession or custody;

(ii) any portion of any document or record which is shown on its face to have been generated, prior to the date of this stipulation, in the course of any FBI activities directed in whole or in part toward the Guild, to the extent it concerns the Guild or its activities or the Guild affiliation or Guild activities of any individual;

(iii) any information contained in (i) and (ii) or reasonably identifiable as having been derived from (i) and (ii); or

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\* The Office of Personnel Management is substituted as a party defendant in place of the Civil Service Commission pursuant to Rule 25 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure.

(iv) any portion of any document or record created prior to March 1, 1977, or the information contained therein, to the extent that it mentions the Guild affiliation or Guild activities of any individual, provided, however, that because of the federal defendants' representation of the practical impossibility of assuring compliance with such broad restrictions, the following limitations shall apply:

(a) With respect to documents or records of defendant federal agencies other than the FBI, this subparagraph (iv) shall apply only to such documents or records as are contained in a file the subject of which is either the Guild or a "Requesting Individual" (as defined below).

(b) With respect to documents or records of the FBI, this subparagraph (iv) shall apply only to such documents or records as are contained in a main file the subject of which is a "Requesting Individual" (as defined below), or in a volume containing see-references to the Guild, or in serials which are see-referenced to a



Requesting Individual (but only to the extent that such serials are accessed through the name of the Requesting Individual).

(c) A "Requesting Individual" is a present or former Guild member who requests, in writing, that this subparagraph (iv) be applied to him or her, and who includes in such request his or her full name, any previous names, date and place of birth, and social security number. Such information is required to identify relevant documents and records and will not be used for any other purpose. Requests must be sent to plaintiff's counsel and forwarded by them to counsel for the federal defendants within 180 days of the date of this stipulation.

d. Nothing herein shall preclude any agency from returning to the FBI any "FBI files on the Guild" or copies thereof in its possession (in which event the FBI shall handle such files as provided in subparagraph (b) above), or from disposing of any files by either destroying them in the ordinary course of business, or transferring them to the National Archives and Records Service in or after the year 2025. The United States Attorney's Office for the Southern District of New York will

return any copies of the "FBI files on the Guild" in its possession to the FBI within 90 days of the date of this Stipulation.

e. If, upon the application of a third party, subparagraphs (b) or (c) above, or any portion thereof, shall be invalidated by any court, no other provision of this stipulation and order shall thereby be affected.

f. Anything in this stipulation to the contrary notwithstanding, the Department of Justice may have access to and use of any of the documents and records described in subparagraphs (a), (b) and (c) above to the extent relevant and material to the defense of the United States or any of its departments, agencies, officers or employees in any judicial or administrative proceedings the gravamen of which arises from conduct alleged to have occurred prior to the date of this stipulation. Appropriate records shall be maintained of any such use. Upon completion of the litigation for which the records were necessary, they and any records derived from them shall be restored to the status quo ante except if they were filed as part of the court record in the litigation.

g. Nothing in this stipulation shall preclude the Guild from requesting the release to it, under the Freedom of Information Act or any successor statutes, of those portions of the "FBI files on the Guild" not previously released to it, or the FBI from releasing the same to the Guild if appropriate under such statutes; provided, however, that the Guild shall make no such request prior to January 1, 1994.

NATIONAL LAWYERS GUILD

National Energy Project  
People's Energy Project  
Subcommittee on Racist Groups  
The Public Eye  
Irish Task Force  
Ireland Task Force  
Middle East Subcommittee  
South African Subcommittee  
Travel Subcommittee  
Visa Denial Project  
Third World Caucus  
Criminal Law Task Force  
Criminal Justice Committee  
Economic Rights Task Force  
International Debt Crisis Subcommittee  
Legal Services Task Force  
Anti-Sexism Task Force  
Gay Rights Subcommittee  
Gay Rights Task Force  
AIDS Network  
Committee on Native American Struggles (CONAS)  
Rethinking Indian Law  
Anti-Repression Task Force  
Faculty Network  
Asia Subcommittee  
Chile Task Force  
Disinformation & Information Restriction  
International Law Subcommittee  
Peace & Disarmament Subcommittee  
Phillippines Subcommittee  
Relations - International Organizations  
Central America Refugee Defense Fund (CARDF)  
Movement Support Network  
Rural Justice Committee  
50th Anniversary Committee  
Air War Project  
Attica Legal Defense  
Attica Brothers Offense-Defense  
Attica Memorial Day Rally, Buffalo, N.Y., 9/14/74  
Attica Now  
Attica Brothers Legal Defense, AKA Attica Defense Committee  
Committee for Legal Assistance in the South, AKA Committee to  
Aid Southern Lawyers  
Grand Jury Defense Office  
Midnight Special  
Military Legal Center  
National Electronic Surveillance Project  
Selective Service Law Committee  
Southeast Asia Military Law Office  
Wounded Knee Offense/Defense Committee

APPENDIX A

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED THAT THE AMERICAN LEGION IN CONVENTION ASSEMBLED IN PHILADELPHIA, PENNSYLVANIA, AUGUST 29, 30, 31 AND SEPTEMBER 1, 1949, CONDEMN'S ALL DISCRIMINATION IN EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES ON ANY BASIS EXCEPT SCHOLASTIC QUALIFICATIONS THEREFORE AND URGES THAT ALL APPROPRIATE ACTION BE TAKEN TO ACCOMPLISH AN EQUALITY OF OPPORTUNITY IN EDUCATION.

The Committee found that there were many Resolutions duplicating the thought and content of each other and, therefore, recommends the consolidation and adoption of many of these Resolutions to wit:

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~~STATE RESOLUTIONS~~  
Resolutions Nos. 281 (Kansas), 304 (Ohio), 360 (Idaho) and 384 (Illinois)

be consolidated with Resolution No. 135 (Montana), which reads as follows:

WHEREAS, The American Legion, assembled for its 31st Annual Convention, has been for the past twenty years cognizant and fully aware of the inherent dangers of Communism, Nazism and Fascism, and

WHEREAS, Recent disclosures in the press of the nation has awakened the public to the danger of Communist infiltration into important positions in our national government, and

WHEREAS, The paramount and first line of defense against the Communist menace has been and still is the Federal Bureau of Investigation, its entire personnel, directed and led by J. Edgar Hoover; and

WHEREAS, The American Legion has ever been in the forefront of the fight to support and maintain the Federal Bureau of Investigation that it might properly and adequately function in maintaining our national security, and

WHEREAS, The American Legion is fully cognizant of recent attempts to discredit the Federal Bureau of Investigation, and

WHEREAS, All delegates are aware of and appreciative of, as veterans, the honesty, diligence, perseverance and integrity of the Director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, J. Edgar Hoover, and we hereby renew our pledge of continued support of the Federal Bureau of Investigation and will cooperate in every manner possible in maintaining its strength intact to preserve the safety and liberty of this nation,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, By The American Legion in Convention assembled in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, AUGUST 28, 29, 30 AND SEPTEMBER 1, 1949, that without qualification or reservation, we do hereby commend, endorse and declare our absolute confidence in the Federal Bureau of Investigation and specifically in its Director J. Edgar Hoover, for the magnificent work performed by the F.B.I. in combating the criminal and traitorous elements endangering our national security.

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, THAT A COPY OF THIS RESOLUTION BE SUITABLY ENGRAVED AND TRANSMITTED TO DIRECTOR J. EDGAR HOOVER.

Consolidate Resolutions No. 68 (Panama), 483 (California), and 369 (Illinois), with Resolution No. 487 (California), which reads as follows:

WHEREAS, Certain members of the Association of Motion Picture Producers, namely; the Twentieth Century Fox Film Corporation, The Republic Pictures, Inc., and the R.M.O. Radio Pictures, Inc., have produced and distributed such motion picture films as "Behind The Iron Curtain", "The Red Menace", and "I Married A Communist", respectively, which pictures depict the methods used by the Communists in attempting to destroy our American Way of life, and

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WHEREAS, These films have been and are of immense value in educating the American people concerning the vicious methods used by Communists to accomplish their purposes;

NOT, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, THAT THE AMERICAN LEGION IN NATIONAL CONVENTION ASSEMBLED IN PHILADELPHIA, PENNSYLVANIA, AUGUST 29 TO SEPTEMBER 1, 1949, DOES HEREBY CONDEMN THE ASSOCIATION OF MOTION PICTURE PRODUCERS AND THEIR ABOVE MENTIONED MEMBERS FOR THEIR PATRIOTIC ACTION IN PRODUCING AND DISTRIBUTING SUCH FILMS, AND

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, THAT WE REQUEST THE ENTIRE MOTION PICTURE INDUSTRY TO PRODUCE AND RELEASE FILMS OF A LIKE EDUCATIONAL NATURE, AND

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, THAT THIS RESOLUTION BE FORWARDED THE ASSOCIATION OF MOTION PICTURE PRODUCERS AND THE PRODUCERS NAILED AND THAT IT BE GIVEN SUCH FURTHER DISSEMINATION THROUGH THE PUBLIC PRESS, AS MAY BE EXPEDIENT.

*state legislation*  
 Consolidate Resolutions Nos. 222 (Missouri), 353 (Hawaii), 381 (Illinois), and 444 (Virginia), with Resolution No. 74 (South Dakota), which reads as follows:

WHEREAS, The Communist Party of the United States is a part of an international conspiracy to overthrow the United States Government and replace it with a Soviet America, which is a government not of laws but a military dictatorship, and

WHEREAS, Our Nation is now threatened by the presence of an ideology in the form of Communism, completely contrary to our principles, which ideology seeks to destroy our form of government and our American Way of life by subtle infiltration into many American groups, into schools and colleges in the form of youth movements, into women's groups in the name of peace, into labor groups in the name of higher wages and controls and even into church and patriotic organizations, and

WHEREAS, The Communist as a part of his oath, pledges to overthrow all other governments, by force if necessary, and

WHEREAS, Said Communist is pledged to obliterate all of the rights of the individual,

NOT, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, THAT THE AMERICAN LEGION IN CONVENTION ASSEMBLED IN PHILADELPHIA, PENNSYLVANIA, AUGUST 29, 30, 31 AND SEPTEMBER 1, 1949, DO ON RECORD AS RE-AFFIRMING ITS PRIOR STAND OPPOSING COMMUNISM IN ANY FORM AND URGE SPONSORSHIP OF A BILL IN CONGRESS TO OUTLAW COMMUNISM AND COMMUNISTS IN THESE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, AND

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, THAT THIS CONVENTION DOES ALSO CALL UPON THE ENTIRE MEMBERSHIP OF THE AMERICAN LEGION TO ADOPT A POLICY OF HEREBY REFRAINING ITSELF AND THE GENERAL PUBLIC ON THE THEORY AND IMPER OF THIS THREATENING INTRUSION AND TO DEDICATE ITSELF, NOT CASUALLY BUT RABIDLY, TO THE BUSINESS OF RECOGNIZING AND EXPOSING COMMUNISM WHENEVER IT IS SEEMING TO INTRUDE ITSELF OR HAS ALREADY DONE SO.

Consolidate Resolutions Nos. 371 (Illinois) and 560 (Pennsylvania), be consolidated with Resolution No. 249 (Oklahoma), which reads as follows:

WHEREAS, Boys Forum of National Government conducted each year in Washington, D. C., as a major program of the National Americanism Commission is a continuation of Boys' State as conducted in the various Departments, and duplicates the principles of Boys' State on a national basis; and

WHEREAS, The name Boys' State is well known and well accepted, while the name "Boys Forum of National Government" is not well known; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, THAT THE AMERICAN LEGION IN NATIONAL CONVENTION ASSEMBLED IN PHILADELPHIA, PENNSYLVANIA, AUGUST 29, 30, 31 AND SEPTEMBER 1, 1949, DO AND THAT "BOYS FORUM OF NATIONAL GOVERNMENT" BE REDESIGNATED AS "BOYS' STATE" IN ORDER TO TAKE ADVANTAGE OF THE REPUTATION

Consolidate Resolutions Nos. 442 (Virginia) 454 (Texas), with Resolution No. 559 (Pennsylvania), which reads as follows: 094534

WHEREAS, The fundamental law of our country guarantees to all peoples equal rights and equal opportunities and the right to worship their God as they see fit; and

WHEREAS, It is provided that our laws shall be made and enforced by representatives of our people, chosen under the law so to do; and

WHEREAS, Membership of The American Legion is made up of those who served our country in time of great national stress, without distinction as to race, color, creed or class; and

RESOLVED, THAT THE AMERICAN LEGION ASSEMBLED IN NATIONAL CONVENTION IN PHILADELPHIA, PENNSYLVANIA, AUGUST 28, 29, 30 and SEPTEMBER 1, 1949, CONSIDER ANY INDIVIDUAL GROUP OR INDIVIDUALS, OR ORGANIZATIONS, WHICH CREATES, OR FOSTERS RACIAL, RELIGIOUS OR CLASS STRIFE AMONG OUR PEOPLE, OR WHICH TAKES INTO THEIR OWN HANDS THE ENFORCEMENT OF LAW, DETERMINATION OF GUILT, OR INFLECTION OF PUNISHMENT, TO BE UN-AMERICAN, A THREAT TO OUR LIBERTIES, AND DESTRUCTIVE TO OUR NATIONAL LAW: AND BE IT FURTHER

RESOLVED, THAT WE CONSIDER SUCH ACTION BY ANY INDIVIDUAL, GROUPS OR ORGANIZATIONS, TO BE INCONSISTENT WITH THE IDEALS AND PURPOSES OF THE AMERICAN LEGION.

Consolidate Resolutions Nos. 485 (California) and 543 (Minnesota) with Resolution No. 76 (South Dakota), which reads as follows:

WHEREAS, The National Executive Committee May, 1949, considered, consolidated and adopted a policy for The American Legion relating to Indian veterans and Indian affairs;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, THAT THE AMERICAN LEGION IN NATIONAL CONVENTION ASSEMBLED IN PHILADELPHIA, PENNSYLVANIA, AUGUST 28, 29, 30 AND SEPTEMBER 1, 1949, REITERATE POLICY AS SET FORTH BY THE NATIONAL EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE IN MAY, 1949, AND INSTRUCT THE AMERICANISH DIVISION TO WORK TOWARD THE FULL ACCOMPLISHMENT OF THE ENDS SOUGHT IN THIS STATEMENT.

State Legislatures  
Consolidate Resolutions Nos. 389 (Illinois) and 443 (Virginia) with Resolution No. 343 (Georgia), which reads as follows:

WHEREAS, It is a known fact that some Communists and others of doubtful loyalty to these United States have received benefits from the United States Government under the so-called G. I. Bill of Rights and that others have received scholarships from the Atomic Energy Commission and from other federal agencies, and

WHEREAS, Such action in effect amounts to subsidizing and paying for the training of potential enemies of this country,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, BY THE AMERICAN LEGION IN ANNUAL CONVENTION ASSEMBLED AT PHILADELPHIA, PENNSYLVANIA, AUGUST 29-SEPTEMBER 1, THAT WE CALL UPON THE CONGRESS OF THE UNITED STATES TO ENACT SUCH LEGISLATION AS SHALL BE NECESSARY TO DENY AND PROHIBIT SUCH BENEFITS AND SCHOLARSHIPS TO COMMUNISTS OR TO MEMBERS OF ORGANIZATIONS DESIGNATED AS SUBVERSIVE BY THE ATTORNEY GENERAL OF THE UNITED STATES.

Consolidate Resolution No. 29 (Nebraska) with Resolution No. 373 (Illinois), which reads as follows:

WHEREAS, The Department of Illinois of The American Legion has been actively in the forefront of the struggle to support the House Un-American Activities Committee of the House of Representatives in its fight against subversive groups and individuals, and

WHEREAS, This Congressional Committee in the past has made substantial contribution to the safety and welfare of our country and to the perpetuity of its established institutions in that it has been instrumental in providing evidence resulting in the conviction of Gerhart Eisler No. 1 Comintern Agent and now a fugitive from justice, Leon Josephson another important Communist who operated in the United States, Eugene Dennis, General Secretary of the Communist organization in the United States, and other subversive groups and individuals,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, BY THE AMERICAN LEGION IN CONVENTION ASSEMBLED IN PHILADELPHIA, PENNSYLVANIA, AUGUST 29, 30, 31 AND SEPTEMBER 1, 1949, THAT WE DO HEREBY DEMAND THAT THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONTINUE THE UN-AMERICAN ACTIVITIES COMMITTEE AND THAT SUFFICIENT APPROPRIATIONS BE PROMPTLY PROVIDED FOR ITS WORK, AND

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, THAT THE MEMBERSHIP OF THE AMERICAN LEGION ACQUAINT ITSELF WITH THE WORK OF THE HOUSE OF UN-AMERICAN ACTIVITIES COMMITTEE AND THEREBY BE BETTER EQUIPPED TO MEET ITS CAPTIOUS CRITICS.

/// Consolidate Resolution No. 451 (Texas) with Resolution No. 344 (Georgia), which reads as follows:

WHEREAS, Certain persons are enjoying the rights and privileges of citizenship in the United States, and are at the same time members of a so-called party opposed to our democratic form of government, have publically stated that in the event of a war between the United States and a Communist country, that they would not support nor defend the United States, but would support the enemies of our country, and

WHEREAS, Such statements evidenced a treasonable intent, and a desire to adhere to our enemies; such persons should be debarred from the privileges of citizenship and should be deported to those lands they would support.

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED BY THE 31ST NATIONAL CONVENTION OF THE AMERICAN LEGION, ASSEMBLED IN PHILADELPHIA, PENNSYLVANIA, AUGUST 29, 30, 31 AND SEPTEMBER 1, 1949, THAT WE ADVISE AND REQUEST THAT THE CONGRESS OF THE UNITED STATES, THE PRESIDENT AND THE ATTORNEY GENERAL IMMEDIATELY BEGIN PROCEEDINGS AGAINST ALL THOSE WHO HAVE OPENLY EXPRESSED THEIR DISLOYALTY TO THE UNITED STATES IN THE MANNER AFORESAID, AND

FURTHER RESOLVED THAT IF THE PRESENT LAWS ARE INADEQUATE TO PROTECT OUR COUNTRY FROM SUCH TRAITORS AND DISLOYAL PERSONS, THAT FEDERAL LAWS BE PASSED TO ADEQUATELY PROTECT OUR COUNTRY AND THE PEOPLE OF THE UNITED STATES FROM A REOCCURRENCE OF THE DECEIT AND DISLOYALTY OF SO-CALLED CITIZENS.

/// Consolidate Resolution No. 452 (Texas) with Resolution No. 386 (Illinois), which reads as follows:

WHEREAS, Resolution 113 passed at the Miami, 1949, Convention gives full endorsement and approval to a bill similar to the Mundt-Nixon Bill of the 80th Congress which aimed to carry out the Americanism policy of The American Legion in exposing and ultimately destroying Communist activities, and

WHEREAS, Said bill passed the House but was not acted upon by

the Senate, and

WHEREAS, Companion bills introduced in the Senate, S.2311 by Senator Karl E. Mundt (S. Dak.) and H.R. 3342 in the House by Representative Richard M. Nixon (Calif.) meet objections to the former legislation which was offered, and

WHEREAS, The New legislative proposal tightens the provisions curtailing Communist activities, includes new provisions for outlawing peace-time espionage, makes the statute of limitations inapplicable to peace-time treasonable acts, requires the registration and publication of the names of all members of the Communist Party in the United States and

(a) provides penalties for any person who knowingly conspires or agrees to set up a totalitarian dictatorship in the United States.

(b) makes it unlawful and provides penalties for any officer or employee of the United States or any federal agency to communicate any information to an officer or member of any Communist organization.

(c) prevents the holding of any office or employment in the federal government by a member of the Communist Party.

(d) denies passports to all members of Communist organizations;

(e) requires registration and annual reports of Communist organizations.

(f) requires keeping of registers of Communist and Communist front organizations.

(g) prevents use of the mails and instrumentalities of interstate or foreign commerce by Communists, including radio broadcasting.

(h) denies tax deductions of contributions to or for the use of Communist organizations and exemptions from federal income tax of income of these organizations.

(i) Creates a subversive activities commission of three members designated by the President, one for the Department of Commerce and one from the National Military Establishment, to pass on Communist-front organizations.

(j) provides more severe penalties for violation of any of the provisions of the law.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, BY THE AMERICAN LEGION IN CONVENTION ASSEMBLED IN PHILADELPHIA, PENNSYLVANIA, AUGUST 29, 30, 31 AND SEPTEMBER 1, 1949, THAT WE DO HEREBY URGE THE ENACTMENT BY CONGRESS AT THE NEXT SESSION OF CONGRESS OF LEGISLATION SUCH AS PROVIDED BY S.2311 and H.R. 3342.

Consolidate Resolution No. 424 (New York) with Resolution No. 380 (Illinois), which reads as follows:

WHEREAS, For more than twenty years, one of the objectives of The American Legion from its national organization down through its local Post level and through its National Americanism Program has been the abolition of Communism within the ranks of those preparing the youth of America in our nation's schools, and

WHEREAS, The most outstanding educational organization of this country, the National Education Association, with a membership of over 800,000 in National Convention assembled on Wednesday, July 6, 1949, in Boston, Mass., took a definite and positive stand on this vital issue by voting 3,000 to 5 to "exclude from employment as teachers and from membership in the National Education Association all members of the Communist Party."

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, BY THE AMERICAN LEGION IN CONVENTION ASSEMBLED IN PHILADELPHIA, PENNSYLVANIA, AUGUST 29, 30, 31 AND SEPTEMBER 1, 1949, THAT WE COULD NOT HIGHLY THIS CLEAR, CONCISE STAND OF THE NATIONAL EDUCATION ASSOCIATION IN "CHARGING THE TEACHING PROFESSION WITH THE OBLIGATION OF PROVING THE BEST DEFENSE OF DEMOCRACY IS THROUGH FULL PARTICIPATION IN MAKING DEMOCRACY REALLY LIVE AND WORK AND THE ADVOCACY OF COMMUNISM SHOULD NOT BE PERMITTED IN AMERICAN SCHOOLS.

Consolidate Resolution No. 455 (Texas) with Resolution No. 335

(Wisconsin), which reads as follows:



BE IT RESOLVED, BY THE AMERICAN LEGION, IN NATIONAL CONVENTION ASSEMBLED, AUGUST 29, 30, 31 AND SEPTEMBER 1, 1949, IN PHILADELPHIA, PENNSYLVANIA, AS FOLLOWS: THAT THE AMERICAN LEGION REGISTERS ITS PROTEST AGAINST THE READMISSION INTO THE UNITED STATES OF ALIENS WHO HAVE BEEN DEPORTED, AND PERSONS WHOSE CITIZENSHIP HAS BEEN REVOKED, FOR PROVEN DISLOYALTY, WHETHER SUCH READMISSION BE UPON TEMPORARY VISA OR OTHER MEANS OF ENTRY INTO THIS COUNTRY.

Consolidate Resolution No. 450 (Ohio) with Resolution No. 374

(Illinois), which reads as follows:

WHEREAS, It is universally admitted that the study of American History in our elementary and secondary schools as a separate school subject continues to be neglected to a large extent, and

WHEREAS, This deplorable situation has demonstrated itself in the continued woeful ignorance of both the youth and the adult population of our nation in fundamental and basic events in our national history, and

WHEREAS, In almost every one of our states there are laws requiring that United States History must be included in the curriculum of every elementary and high school, but in the teaching of United States History the spirit of the law is not always carried out, and

WHEREAS, American History is taught as a separate school study in too few schools of the Nation in spite of the fact that in almost every state there are laws requiring that United States History must be included in the curriculum of every elementary and high school as a separate school study, and

WHEREAS, American History should be taught as American History with its record of heroic achievements and not with poor textbooks, inadequate equipments, and in many cases by dry, dull, and colorless teaching, and

WHEREAS, There still exists the deplorable situation of a wholesale, widespread ignorance of both the youth and adult population of America in the achievements and accomplishments of our forefathers,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, BY THE AMERICAN LEGION, IN CONVENTION ASSEMBLED IN PHILADELPHIA, PENNSYLVANIA, AUGUST 29, 30, 31 AND SEPTEMBER 1, 1949, THAT WE URGE THE AMERICANIST COMMISSION OF THE AMERICAN LEGION TO INITIATE AND CARRY OUT A CAMPAIGN OF EDUCATION NOT ONLY WITHIN THE AMERICAN LEGION BUT ALSO THROUGHOUT THE COUNTRY SEEKING THE COOPERATION IN THIS ENDEAVOR OF ALL VETERAN ORGANIZATIONS, PATRIOTIC, SOCIAL AND INDUSTRIAL GROUPS, TO SEE TO IT THAT AMERICAN HISTORY INCLUDING THE STUDY OF THE UNITED STATES CONSTITUTION AND ITS PRINCIPLES BE TAUGHT AS A SEPARATE SCHOOL SUBJECT.

Consolidate Resolution No. 352 (Hawaii) with Resolution No. 13 (Colorado),

which reads as follows:

WHEREAS, The American Bowling Congress provides in its regulations that non-caucasian teams shall not be permitted to enter bowling leagues operating under the auspices of the said American Bowling Congress, or otherwise to participate in the activities of said American Bowling Congress; and

WHEREAS, Members of American Legion Posts have been refused sanction of the American Bowling Congress for the reason that as members of such teams they are non-caucasian in origin; and

WHEREAS, Such Legionnaires are, without exception, honorably discharged veterans of wartime service in the Armed Forces of the United States; and

WHEREAS, The American Legion is opposed to racial discrimination wherever it may be found or practiced in the United States.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, BY THE AMERICAN LEGION AT NATIONAL CONVENTION ASSEMBLED AT PHILADELPHIA, PENNSYLVANIA, ON AUGUST 29TH THROUGH SEPTEMBER 1, 1949, that THE AMERICAN LEGION CALLS UPON THE AMERICAN CONGRESS TO DISCONTINUE SUCH UN-AMERICAN RACIAL DISCRIMINATION.

Consolidate Resolution No. 631 (Convention Resolution) and No. 91

(Grocco), which reads as follows:

RESOLVED BY THE AMERICAN LEGION ASSEMBLED AT NATIONAL CONVENTION, IN PHILADELPHIA, PENNSYLVANIA, AUGUST 29, 30, 31 AND SEPTEMBER 1, 1949, THAT SECTION 406, PARAGRAPH (h) OF THE NATIONALITY ACT OF 1940, BE AMENDED TO INCLUDE IN THE EXCEPTIONS TO THE APPLICATION OF SECTION 404, VETERANS OF THE 2ND WORLD WAR AND IT IS FURTHER RECOMMENDED THAT THE ACT BE MADE RETROACTIVE TO INCLUDE THOSE VETERANS OF WORLD WAR II WHOSE TIME HAS EXPIRED UNDER THE THREE YEAR LIMITATION OF THE PRESENT ACT.

~~V Consolidate Resolutions No. 480 (California) and 561 (Pennsylvania).~~  
with Resolution No. 382 (Illinois), which reads as follows:

WHEREAS, Russian Communism holds that "The existence of the Soviet Republics side by side with 'Imperialist' States for a long time is unthinkable" and that "In the end one or the other will conquer", and

WHEREAS, There is an increasing movement by certain elements in the United States toward subversive un-American thought and way of life as evidenced by an increasing membership in various organizations which openly admit a creed of overthrow of the United States Government and the American way of life, and

WHEREAS, Communists in America assiduously seek and find opportunities to spread their destructive doctrine, and to obtain and transmit to Russia information of value in connection with their avowed determination to overthrow our Government by force if necessary, and

WHEREAS, It is the unbounded duty of The American Legion to combat this foreign ideology in the United States or any of its possessions.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, BY THE AMERICAN LEGION, IN CONVENTION ASSEMBLED IN PHILADELPHIA, PENNSYLVANIA, AUGUST 28, 29, 30 AND SEPTEMBER 1, 1949, REAFFIRMING THE NATIONAL POLICY OF THE AMERICAN LEGION THAT ALL PERSONS RECEIVING SALARIES EITHER IN WHOLE OR IN PART FROM PUBLIC FUNDS SHALL BE REQUIRED TO TAKE AN OATH OF LOYALTY TO THE GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON AMERICANISM

Forty-one members of your Committee on Americanism met at 5:30 p.m. August 29, 1949 in Logan Hall, and remained in session for several hours, recessing until 10:00 a.m. on August 30. When the session reconvened, it continued in session until all 93 Resolutions presented to it had been considered.

The Committee respectfully submits the following recommendations:

That the following Resolutions be rejected: Nos. 1, 23, 293, 328, 336, 338, 342, 451, 479 and 633.

The Committee recommends that the following Resolutions be referred to the standing Americanism Commission for study and action because either being administrative and not involving policy, or requiring further study and investigating: Nos. 11 (Colorado), 12 (Colorado), 75 (South Dakota), 221 (North Carolina), 277 (Iowa), 292 (Michigan), 337 (Wisconsin), 351 (Hawaii), 377 (Illinois), 383 (Illinois), 385 (Illinois), 387 (Illinois), 431 (California), 432 (California), 539 (Minnesota), 540 (Minnesota), 541 (Minnesota), 542 (Minnesota), 612 (Puerto Rico), 615 (Connecticut), and 622 (Philippine Islands).

That the following Resolutions be adopted as submitted: Nos. 229 (Indiana), 345 (Georgia), 370 (Illinois), 376 (Illinois), 431 (California), 508 (California) and 632 (Convention Committee).

Resolutions  
No. 229 (Indiana) - Area Seminars on Subversive Activities

BE IT RESOLVED, By The American Legion in Convention assembled, August 28th to September 1st, inclusive, at Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, that we commend the National Americanism Commission and the Sub-Committee on Subversive Activities, on the 4-area Seminars (study conferences) held at Birmingham, Indianapolis, New York and San Francisco to do educational work on the extensive character of the Fifth Column of Soviet Russia now operating in the United States. Such Seminars help greatly to train and alert citizens to the hundreds of subversive organizations both Communistic and Fascist, and the names of their leaders who work day and night to infiltrate and destroy our National institutions and industrial economy which have allowed us all essential freedoms and yet given a higher standard of living than exists anywhere in the world.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, THAT FOR 1950 AND 51, THE NATIONAL OFFICERS

AND BUDGET COMMITTEE OF THE AMERICAN LEGION GIVE THEM AT 40 ARRANGING FOR AT LEAST 6 SUCH SEMINARS, WELL-PLANNED IN ADVANCE AND AUTHORITATIVELY STAFFED AS WERE THOSE IN 1949; THAT, IF NECESSARY, ONE OR MORE ASSISTANTS BE PROVIDED THE NATIONAL CHAIRMAN AND RESEARCH DIRECTOR TO ASSIST EITHER IN CONDUCTING SUCH SEMINARS, OR AT HEADQUARTERS TO CARRY ON NECESSARY WORK IN THEIR ABSENCE.

AS A LONG TERM AID IN HAVING FUNDS FOR SUCH AMERICANISM EDUCATIONAL WORK, BE IT RESOLVED THAT AT LEAST TWICE YEARLY ONE-HALF PAGE IN THE AMERICAN LEGION MAGAZINE BE DEVOTED TO INFORMING THE NATION THAT A FOUNDATION OF THE AMERICAN LEGION EXISTS TO RECEIVE GIFTS AND BEQUESTS FROM ESTATES OF LEGIONNAIRES AND OTHER GOOD, LOYAL CITIZENS, AND FROM BUSINESS AND OTHER INSTITUTIONS WHO WISH TO DO SOMETHING IN A PERMANENT WAY TO PROMOTE AMERICANISM AND TO FIGHT ORGANIZED FORCES FOREVER SEEKING TO UNDERMINE THIS REPUBLIC.

No. 345 (Georgia) - Continued Department of Justice In Prosecution Of Persons Advocating Overthrow of Government

*\*Resolutions*

WHEREAS, The American Legion is cognizant of the countless problems concerning the preservation of the internal security of the United States of America and recognizes and commends the contributions made to all the citizens of the United States by the Department of Justice, under the leadership of the Attorney General of the United States, the Honorable Tom C. Clark,

BE IT RESOLVED, THAT THIS NATIONAL CONVENTION OF THE AMERICAN LEGION COMMEND THE WORK OF THE DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE IN ITS VIGOROUS PROSECUTION OF THOSE ENEMIES OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, WHO ARE SEEKING TO UNDERMINE AND DESTROY THAT WHICH ARE SERVICE MEN OF THIS COUNTRY FOUGHT, BLED AND DIED TO PRESERVE.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, THAT WE URGE THE DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE TO CONTINUE THE WORK OF PRESERVING THE INTERNAL SECURITY OF THIS NATION, BY VIGOROUSLY AND FEARLESSLY SECURING EVIDENCE AND PUSHING THE PROSECUTION OF THOSE PERSONS ACCUSED OF ADVOCATING THE OVERTHROW OF OUR GOVERNMENT BY FORCE AND VIOLENCE.

*\*Resolutions*

No. 370 (Illinois) - Applicants For Naturalization To Declare On Oath Allegiance To Bear Arms

WHEREAS, Since the founding of our Republic, the privilege of citizenship has been available to acceptable applicants who must declare on oath to "support and defend the Constitution and laws of the United States against all enemies, foreign and domestic, and bear true faith and allegiance to the same" in accordance with Acts of Congress passed pursuant to its grant of power under Article I, Section 8 of the Constitution to pass uniform laws on the subject of naturalization throughout the United States, and

WHEREAS, The Supreme Court of the United States decided in the case of United States vs Schwimmer that the naturalization laws contemplated that "It is the duty of Citizens by force of arms to defend our government against all enemies whenever necessity arises," and such was the view uniformly held in the decisions of the courts, including two other cases decided in the Supreme Court, until April 22, 1946, when the Supreme Court handed down its historic reversal in the case of Girusard vs United States, in which a majority of the court ruled that "the oath required of aliens does not in terms require that they promise to bear arms", that Congress has not expressly made any such finding a prerequisite to citizenship; and

WHEREAS, Under the decision of the Court in the Girusard case, an alien must now be admitted on application for citizenship even though he says he will not take up arms in the defense of this country, our Constitution and government; and

WHEREAS, It is the prevailing view of our citizenry that Congress has required by law an allegiance to bear arms; but our Supreme Court now thinks otherwise, and

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WHEREAS, This is not a satisfactory condition of law on a vital subject; but because it is a question of interpretation, it seems advisable and requisite that Congress now make its intention and policy clear; and

WHEREAS, Those who seek the privilege of citizenship should be prepared, at whatever sacrifice, to uphold and defend this nation which grants that privilege and guarantees the enjoyment of all the rights implicit therein; and

WHEREAS, This is no time for a qualified allegiance to our country and its Institutions;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, BY THE AMERICAN LEGION IN CONVENTION ASSEMBLED IN PHILADELPHIA, PENNSYLVANIA, AUGUST 29, 30, 31 AND SEPTEMBER 1, 1949, BEST THERE BE ALIENS WHO ARE NOT PREPARED AS A CONDITION TO BEING GRANTED THE PRIVILEGE OF CITIZENSHIP, TO DECLARE, WITHOUT RESERVATION OR EQUIVOCATION, THAT THEY WILL BEAR ARMS, IF REQUIRED.

THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, THAT THE CONGRESS OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA BE PETITIONED TO ENACT INTO LAW AT THE EARLIEST POSSIBLE MOMENT AN AGREEMENT TO THE NATURALIZATION LAWS REQUIRING ALL APPLICANTS FOR CITIZENSHIP TO DECLARE ON OATH, EQUIVOCALLY TO BEAR TRUE FAITH AND ALLEGIANCE TO THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, THE GOVERNMENT THEREOF, AND ITS CONSTITUTION AND LAWS, AND TO SUPPORT AND DEFEND THE SAME BY FORCE OF ARMS IF REQUIRED, AGAINST ALL ENEMIES, FOREIGN AND

DOMESTIC.

No. 373 (Illinois) - Compulsory Finger Printing

WHEREAS, Resolutions favoring compulsory finger printing of all persons in the United States have been passed by six National Conventions of The American Legion, and

WHEREAS, The first of these resolutions was adopted in 1935, the last in 1941 and is a continuing Legion policy which asserts that finger printing is a matter of protection for our National Defense, and

WHEREAS, Compulsory identification does not deprive a citizen of any legal right under the Constitution or Bill of Rights;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, BY THE AMERICAN LEGION IN CONVENTION ASSEMBLED IN PHILADELPHIA, PENNSYLVANIA, AUGUST 29, 30, 31 AND SEPTEMBER 1, 1949, THAT WE DO HEREBY URGE ITS INCREASED ACTIVITY ON THE PART OF THE AMERICANIST AND LEGISLATIVE COMMISSIONS TO OBTAIN PASSAGE OF THE LEGISLATION.

No. 484 (California) - Discharge Of Communist Employees

WHEREAS, It is for the best interest of The American Legion and the American people that only loyal Americans be employed in industry and business; and

WHEREAS, Many employers have in their employ persons who are members of the Communist Party or affiliated organizations; and

WHEREAS, Such employers fear to discharge such persons because they would thereby incur liability in damages in many cases excessive because of long term contracts; and

WHEREAS, All employers should be protected from such liability, including unaccrued earnings,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, THAT THE AMERICAN LEGION IN NATIONAL CONVENTION ASSEMBLED AT PHILADELPHIA, PENNSYLVANIA, AUGUST 29-SEPTEMBER 1, 1949, RECOMMEND THAT THE NATIONAL LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE SEEK THE ENACTMENT OF APPROPRIATE LEGISLATION BY THE CONGRESS OF THE UNITED STATES AND THE LEGISLATURES OF THE VARIOUS STATES, WHEREBY EMPLOYERS SHALL BE HELD FREE FROM ALL LIABILITY WHATSOEVER FOR THE DISCHARGE OF ANY EMPLOYEE BECAUSE

- (1) HE IS NOW A MEMBER OF OR PRIOR TO EMPLOYMENT FAILED TO DISCLOSE MEMBERSHIP IN THE COMMUNIST PARTY, OR ANY ORGANIZATION DESIGNATED

AS SUBVERSIVE BY THE ATTORNEY GENERAL OF THE UNITED STATES, OR

- (2) THAT HE HAS REFUSED TO STATE WHETHER HE IS OR HAS KNOWINGLY AND WILLINGLY BEEN A MEMBER OF THE COMMUNIST PARTY OR AFFILIATED ORGANIZATIONS WHEN QUESTIONED BY A DULY CONSTITUTED LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE.

No. 508 (California) - Sons of The American Legion Program

WHEREAS, The Americanism Activities report of the Posts to Department and National provides credit points for sponsorship of a Sons of The American Legion Squadron, and

WHEREAS, Many small Posts have insufficient Sons available to create a Squadron of the S. A. L., and

WHEREAS, Small Posts can make contributions to this American Legion Program

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, THAT THE AMERICAN LEGION IN NATIONAL CONVENTION ASSEMBLED RECOMMENDS THAT THE "AMERICANISM AND POST ACTIVITY REPORT" ESTABLISHED AND SENT OUT BY THE NATIONAL HEADQUARTERS OF THE AMERICAN LEGION IN ORDER TO CREDIT POSTS AND DEPARTMENTS FOR THEIR EFFORTS IN AMERICANISM AND COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES BE CHANGED WHERE IT RELATES TO THE S. A. L. PROGRAM SO THAT CREDIT WILL BE GIVEN LEGION POSTS FOR ANY ACTIVITY IN SUPPORT OF THE S. A. L. PROGRAM RATHER THAN, AS AT PRESENT, CREDIT SOLELY FOR SPONSORING AN S. A. L. SQUADRON.

No. 632 (Convention Committee) - Sponsors Remove Persons of Communistic Sympathies From Their Radio and Television Programs

WHEREAS, General Foods, Inc., and Pepsi-Cola of New York have removed from their radio and television programs certain persons of known Communistic sympathies,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, BY THE AMERICAN LEGION ASSEMBLED IN NATIONAL CONVENTION AT PHILADELPHIA, PENNSYLVANIA, AUGUST 29, 30, 31 AND SEPTEMBER 1, 1949, THAT IT DOES HEREBY COMMEND THE ABOVE MENTIONED COMPANIES FOR THEIR PATRIOTIC ACTION.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, ALL SPONSORS OF RADIO AND TELEVISION PROGRAMS BE REQUESTED TO EXAMINE THEIR PERSONNEL WITH A VIEW TO THE ELIMINATION FROM SUCH PROGRAMS OF ANY AND ALL INDIVIDUALS WHOSE APPEARANCE THEREON WOULD BE OBJECTIBLE TO THE AMERICAN PUBLIC.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, THAT COPIES OF THIS RESOLUTION BE FORWARDED TO GENERAL FOODS AND PEPSI-COLA AND BE GIVEN SUCH FURTHER DISSEMINATION THRU THE PRESS AS MAY BE EXPEDIENT.

The following Resolutions were adopted as amended: Nos. 291 (Michigan), 372 (Illinois), 375 (Illinois), 378 (Illinois), 379 (Illinois), 388 (Illinois), 465 (Texas), 486 (California), 554 (Nevada), and 598 (Pennsylvania). They are:

No. 291 (Michigan) - American Legion Policy on Investigation of Instructional Materials.

WHEREAS, Certain attacks have been made upon teachers and textbooks and other instructional materials because of their lack of patriotism, presentation of facts and fairness of content, and

WHEREAS, Many of these attacks have been justified while some have been unfair, and

WHEREAS, Certain such attacks often develop because of feeling of prejudice or a bias opinion of some politician,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, BY THE AMERICAN LEGION, IN NATIONAL CONVENTION ASSEMBLED IN PHILADELPHIA, PENNSYLVANIA, AUGUST 28, 29, 30 AND SEPTEMBER 1, 1949, ADOPT AS A CRITERIA FOR ITS POLICY ON INVESTIGATION OF INSTRUCTIONAL MATERIAL THE REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE

ON EVALUATION OF INSTRUCTIONAL MATERIALS" AND AMENDMENT TO D-2 AS CONTAINED IN THE "SUPPLEMENTARY REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON EVALUATION OF INSTRUCTIONAL MATERIALS"; WHENEVER SUCH AN INVESTIGATION MAY BE UNDERTAKEN.

*Robertson*  
**No. 372 (Illinois) - Adoption of Counterespionage Bills 595 and 2311**

WHEREAS, The Attorney General of the United States has presented positive and sufficient evidence of the pressing need for strengthening the present anti-spy laws and has asked for prompt passage of the pending counterespionage bill, and

WHEREAS, House Bill 2311 and Senate Bill 595 would partly plug the statute-of-limitations loophole in addition to making spying more difficult and more risky, and

WHEREAS, The said bill would strengthen the hand of the law-enforcing agencies in their efforts to round up foreign spies and their collaborators,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, BY THE AMERICAN LEGION IN CONVENTION ASSEMBLED IN PHILADELPHIA, PENNSYLVANIA, AUGUST 29, 30, 31 AND SEPTEMBER 1, 1949, HEREBY URGE EARLY AND SPEEDY ENACTMENT OF SENATE BILL 595 AND HOUSE BILL 2311 IN SUBSTANTIALLY THE FORM IN WHICH EACH WAS INTRODUCED.

**No. 375 (Illinois) - Educational Program For Flag Etiquette**

WHEREAS, The Americanism program of The American Legion concerns itself with the important subject of Flag etiquette, and

WHEREAS, The American public looks to the American Legionnaire to show the way to proper Flag etiquette, and

WHEREAS, There is a complete misunderstanding among many Legionnaires as to the correct manner of salute and various situations, and

WHEREAS, The American Legion has sought by the legislation in Congress to amend Section 5 of P. L. 829 which concerns itself with proper manner of salute, for some time, but without success;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, BY THE AMERICAN LEGION IN CONVENTION ASSEMBLED, IN PHILADELPHIA, PENNSYLVANIA, AUGUST 29, 30, 31 AND SEPTEMBER 1, 1949, THAT WE DO URGE THE NATIONAL AMERICANISM COMMISSION TO REEMPHASIZE ITS EDUCATIONAL PROGRAM AND TAKE OTHER APPROPRIATE ACTION TO CORRECT THE PRESENT SITUATION WITH REGARD TO ABILITY IN FLAG ETIQUETTE AND SECURE NECESSARY LEGISLATION THEREON.

**No. 378 (Illinois) - Cooperate with U. S. Secret Service To Fight Counterfeiting**

WHEREAS, The United States Secret Service today reports renewed counterfeiting activity of American currency in this country and in Europe, and

WHEREAS, Recent seizures of bogus currency in the United States and abroad have been the largest in the history of the Secret Service, and

WHEREAS, The manifold increase in the duties of the Secret Service through the enormous increase in forgeries of government checks issued to veterans and likewise of government bonds has placed an added burden on this important and efficient arm of the government service, and

WHEREAS, Notwithstanding 300 recent arrests and convictions involving bonds having maturity values of several hundreds of thousands of dollars has placed a serious crimp in the activities of these criminals, and

WHEREAS, The American Legion desires to assist in fighting any attempt to debase our currency and forestall the forgery of government obligations,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, BY THE AMERICAN LEGION IN CONVENTION ASSEMBLED IN PHILADELPHIA, PENNSYLVANIA, AUGUST 29, 30, 31 AND SEPTEMBER 1, 1949, THAT WE URGE ALL BANKS AND RETAIL STOREKEEPERS TO PROTECT THE VETERAN AND HIS DEPENDENTS BY INSISTING UPON THOROUGH IDENTIFICATION BEFORE CASHING GOVERNMENT CHECKS FOR STRANGERS; AND WE RECOMMEND TO THE AMERICAN LEGION MEMBERSHIP COMPLETE COOPERATION WITH THE U. S. SECRET SERVICE TREASURY DEPARTMENT, IN ITS FIGHT AGAINST COUNTERFEITING AND FORGERY BY PUBLICIZING THESE FACTS TO EVERY AMERICAN LEGION POST, AND

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT WE HIGHLY COMMEND THE EFFICIENT MANNER IN WHICH THE SECRET SERVICE HAS HANDLED THE INCREASED SCOPE OF ITS DUTIES.

No. 379 (Illinois) - Commend Those In Congress Who Support American Ideals And Way of Life

WHEREAS, It is part of the Communistic pattern to slander and publish libel concerning the legislative branch of our government which is composed for the most part of veterans of Both World Wars and other loyal Americans, and

WHEREAS, Under our governmental system the members of the Senate and House of Representatives have rendered distinguished and outstanding contributions both in war and in peace to our nation's greatness and have enacted much beneficial veterans legislation throughout the years, and

WHEREAS, The men in our Congress are patriotic and hard-working Americans who are answerable to the people in their various districts and states, and

WHEREAS, It ill behooves true Americans to imitate Communists, both American and foreign stripe, who ridicule and attack as a group, the motives and the fine work of these distinguished Americans serving in Congress;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, BY THE AMERICAN LEGION IN CONVENTION ASSEMBLED IN PHILADELPHIA, PENNSYLVANIA, AUGUST 29, 30, 31 and SEPTEMBER 1, 1949 THAT WE DO HEREBY COMMEND THOSE DISTINGUISHED AND PATRIOTIC MEMBERS OF CONGRESS FORMING PART OF THE SENATE AND HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES FOR THEIR LOYAL AND PATRIOTIC ENDEAVORS ON BEHALF OF THE PROGRESS OF OUR COUNTRY AND FOR THEIR AMERICANISM AND SUPPORT OF OUR AMERICAN IDEALS AND WAY OF LIFE.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, THAT A COPY OF THIS RESOLUTION SUITABLY ENGROSSED BE PRESENTED TO THE SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES AND THE PRESIDING OFFICER OF THE SENATE, BY THE NATIONAL COMMANDER AT AN EARLY DATE, EITHER PERSONALLY OR IN SUCH MANNER AS HE DEEMS ADVISABLE.

*L. Rose Outen*  
No. 388 (Illinois) - Commendation of William Randolph Hearst and his publications.

WHEREAS, William Randolph Hearst, Publisher and Patriot, has continued unwaveringly and with force again this year as in past years, to support all Americanism projects and the National Americanism Commission projects, and

WHEREAS, The William Randolph Hearst publications have fought unceasingly and with vigor every subversive group and influence seeking to attack our basic governmental institutions, our political, social and industrial systems, and

WHEREAS, William Randolph Hearst in his publications has pledged his allegiance and loyalty to but one country, the land of his birth, the United States of America, and

WHEREAS, This distinguished and outstanding American figure has been satisfied and pleased to risk his personal reputation or personal fortune on behalf of the cause of a free people which he has continually housed throughout a long and honorable life.



THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, BY THE AMERICAN LEGION IN CONVENTION ASSEMBLED IN PHILADELPHIA, PENNSYLVANIA, AUGUST 29, 30, 31 and SEPTEMBER 1, 1949, THAT WE DO HEREBY EXPRESS TO WILLIAM RANDOLPH PEARST AND HIS CO-WORKERS THE APPRECIATION OF THE AMERICAN LEGION FOR THE PEARST TROPHY AMERICANISM AWARD AND FOR THIS COURAGEOUS SUPPORT OF THE AMERICAN LEGION IN ITS BATTLES FOR CONTINUED PROGRESS AND THE MAINTENANCE OF THE AMERICAN WAY OF LIFE.

No. 465 (Texas) - Reactivate S A L Program and National Legion Heir

RESOLVED, BY THE AMERICAN LEGION IN CONVENTION ASSEMBLED IN PHILADELPHIA, PENNSYLVANIA, AUGUST 29, 30, 31 and SEPTEMBER 1, 1949 THAT THE NATIONAL ORGANIZATION OF THE AMERICAN LEGION BE URGED TO INSTITUTE AN EVEN MORE ACTIVE SONS OF THE AMERICAN LEGION PROGRAM.

No. 486 (California) - Admission To United States Of Alien Veterans

WHEREAS, It is reported that there are many aliens who served honorably in the Armed Forces of the United States during World War II and are unable to secure entry into the United States due to certain restrictions in the Immigration Laws,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, THAT THE AMERICAN LEGION IN NATIONAL CONVENTION ASSEMBLED IN PHILADELPHIA, PENNSYLVANIA, AUGUST 29, 30, 31 AND SEPTEMBER 1, 1949, SEEK THE PASSAGE OF A BILL BY THE CONGRESS OF THE UNITED STATES PERMITTING HONORABLY DISCHARGED VETERAN ALIENS OF THE MILITARY AND NAVAL FORCES OF THE UNITED STATES, WHOSE SERVICE WAS DURING WORLD WAR II, TO ENTER AND REMAIN IN THE UNITED STATES FOR THE PURPOSE OF ACQUIRING CITIZENSHIP, ON THE PRINCIPLE, THAT A PERSON WHO FIGHTS FOR THE UNITED STATES IS GOOD ENOUGH TO LIVE IN THE UNITED STATES, AND

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, THAT NOTHING HEREIN CONTAINED SHALL BE DEEMED TO EXTEND THIS PRIVILEGE TO ANY PERSON WHOSE SOLE WAR SERVICE WAS IN THE MERCHANT MARINE.

No. 554 (Nevada) - Adhere to Existing Laws and Quotas For Immigration and Displaced Persons

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, THAT THE AMERICAN LEGION IN NATIONAL CONVENTION ASSEMBLED IN PHILADELPHIA, PENNSYLVANIA, AUGUST 29, 30, 31 AND SEPTEMBER 1, 1949, THAT WE DEMAND OF OUR GOVERNMENT HEADS THAT THEY STRICTLY ADHERE TO THE EXISTING LAWS AND QUOTAS ALLOWING IMMIGRATION TO THE UNITED STATES AND PARTICULARLY ADHERE TO THE LAWS NOW IN FORCE APPLYING TO DISPLACED PERSONS AND RATHER THAN PLACE ANY ADDITIONAL BURDEN ON THE PEOPLE OF AMERICA BY INCREASING THE QUOTAS OF IMMIGRATION; AND

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, THAT WE TAKE STEPS TO CURTAIN AS FAR AS POSSIBLE ANY FURTHER IMMIGRATION TO THIS COUNTRY AT THE PRESENT TIME.

No. 558 (Pennsylvania) - Abolish All Racial and Religious Discrimination in Field of Education

WHEREAS, The American Legion emphasizes its conviction that every American citizen should enjoy equality of opportunity in education; regardless of color, religious belief, or national origin, and

WHEREAS, The American Legion is fully aware that some institutions of learning nevertheless engage in acts of racial and religious discrimination in their choice and selection of students, and

WHEREAS, The American Legion wants to point out emphatically that the recent war was fought primarily to wipe out the forces of bigotry and intolerance in the defense of human rights,

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## THE SPOTLIGHT

LABOR YOUTH LEAGUE. Announcement of the unlamented death of some discredited and outworn Communist front is usually followed within a matter of days, if not hours, by the happy tidings of the birth of its successor. Monarchists who shouted, "The King is dead — Long Live the King!" in the same breath never had anything on the Commies. The malodorous ~~AMERICAN YOUTH~~ FOR DEMOCRACY had hardly been buried last February, before the Stalinist faithful received the happy tidings that a LABOR YOUTH LEAGUE had been born in Chicago without even a Pappy or a Mammy. Some "progressive boys and girls" just happened to foregather in the Windy City by mere chance and, "Presto!", a new progressive youth movement was born. The only difficulty appears to have been the selection of a suitable name — the newly born Stalinoid prodigy actually remained nameless for the first several weeks of its life. For some inexplicable reason the hackneyed Communist use of the words "peace", "democracy" and similar high-sounding and idealistic nomenclature was avoided this time and the very trite and uninspiring LABOR YOUTH LEAGUE was selected.

The noble purpose of the L.Y.L. is: "To educate youth in the spirit of Socialism." LEON WOFSEY, Temporary National Chairman, told the delegates at the founding meeting: "We are the generation that will not only see peace, and the defeat of the warmongers, but will see our country as a land of Socialism." Strangely enough none of the other major Socialist factions or parties in this country — the Socialist Party, the Social-Democratic Federation, or the Socialist Labor Party — had anything whatever to do with the conception, birth, or christening of this newly arrived "Socialist" waif. The June 12th Worker, however, devoted two full columns of highly laudatory good wishes and top C.P. leaders FOSTER and DENNIS pledged full Communist aid to the L.Y.L. infant. The National Committee went even further "calling upon all Party leaders, organizations, and members to give these young people full support in realizing the goals set at Chicago."

For a really e anting example of purest Comm st sincerity and simple honest language, we offer the following pearl from C.P.'s official statement in the Worker:

"The Conference made it clear that the new youth organization is not to be a political party, but a non-party organization of youth. It is to be independent, adopting policies and carrying out a program worked out by young people to meet the needs and desires of youth. The Communist Party will foster and respect this independence, while at the same time giving full support both to the building of the new organization and to its work."

In turn, the newly born youth organization displayed remarkable precocity for a day old infant by promptly sending off greetings to the WORLD FEDERATION OF DEMOCRATIC YOUTH, a division of the Communist International. It showed that it at least knew the "proper people" to whom to direct its childish affections. It also set a goal of one hundred charter clubs by July 4th. A "temporary national organizing committee of sixteen, including shop workers, Negro youth leaders, veterans, student leaders, and Communist Youth leaders" was set up at the Chicago conference.

BILL of RIGHTS CONFERENCE. One hundred and seventy-five "prominent Americans", the Daily Worker announced on June 17th, have called a conference "to alert the American people to the clear and present danger that our basic freedom may be destroyed by current widespread abrogations of civil liberties." This is a very nice example of Communist Aesopian language or double talk for "Let's cash in on the Clark-Hoover imbroglio now and get the F.B.I." The Daily Worker has been running full page editorial attacks on J. Edgar Hoover and the F.B.I. which is called the "spearhead of sinister fascist forces seeking to undermine and overthrow American liberties and human rights. The United States is moving into the shadowland of the police state and thought control." The Bill of Rights Conference will meet in the Henry Hudson Hotel in New York, July 16 and 17. According to the Daily Worker, the following "prominent Americans", sponsored,

or issued the call for, the conference:

HENRY SEIDEL ~~RANBY~~

PROF. THOMAS I. ~~EMERSON~~

HOWARD ~~FAST~~

CHARLES P. ~~HOWARD~~

ARTHUR ~~MILLER~~

PAUL ~~ROBESON~~

DR. THEODORE ~~ROSEBURY~~

DR. W.E.B. ~~DUBOIS~~

PROF. FOWLER ~~HARPER~~

DONALD ~~HENDERSON~~

ROBERT W. ~~KENNY~~

REP. VITO ~~MARCANTONIO~~

RIGHT REV. ARTHUR W. ~~MOULTON~~

PROF. HARLOW ~~SHAPLEY~~

HENRY AGARD ~~WALLACE~~

~~MIDWEST FARMER-LABOR COMMITTEE~~. The Daily Worker also proudly announces the birth, at Des Moines last week, of the MIDWEST FARMER-LABOR COMMITTEE. About one hundred delegates attended from twelve states, it was claimed. ~~ELMER BENSON~~, former Farmer-Labor Governor of Minnesota, delivered the main address. He was quoted as saying: "The only way to get what God intended us to get is to unite." The purpose of the new organization is to develop better personal contacts and relations between labor and farmers. An Executive Committee composed of the following was set up:

ROY ~~DYAS~~, Iowa Farmers Union

HOMER ~~AYRES~~, Farm Equipment Workers Union (Communist dominated.)

ALICE ~~SMITH~~, United Electrical Workers CIO, " "

MAE ~~DAVIS~~, CIO Food and Tobacco Workers, " "

GRAHAM ~~COLAN~~, United Mine, Mill & Smelter Workers, " "

WALTER ~~JOHNSON~~, Land O'Lakes Co-Operative

~~AFRICAN AID COMMITTEE~~. With the imminent loss of most of China and the crumbling of Southeast Asia as a bastion of defense against Soviet aggression, the Dark Continent has of late been getting increasing attention in the thinking and planning of global strategists. Governor Dewey, who just returned from a long European study tour, warned America that "The Communists

are working busily in Africa" and that control of that vast continent with its infinite riches and room for European colonization will ultimately decide the titanic world struggle between the Communist East and the free West. Governor Dewey added, "Keeping Africa free from Communism is an essential part of any program."

DR. W.E.B. DuBOIS, an active pro-Soviet apologist and fellow traveller, also returning from Europe where he attended the WORLD CONGRESS of PARTISANS OF PEACE at Paris, told reporters that "Africa was awakening." Perhaps to help this "mass awakening" another newly formed organization, the AFRICAN AID COMMITTEE announced its own birth May 28th. Its ostensible objective, according to a letter appealing for funds, is merely to extend relief to starving and suffering Africans. The list of sponsors, however, is of such character as to give even the careless and uninformed cause to pause and wonder. The following have adorned similar lists of Communist front enterprises in these many years, or are known or admitted Communists:

LOUIS E. BURNHAM, Birmingham, Ala.

COUNCILMAN EUGENE P. CONNELLY, New York

COUNCILMAN BENJAMIN DAVIS, New York

FREDERICK VANDERBILT FIELD

EWART GUDNIER

DONALD HENDERSON

DR. W. A. HUNTON

ROCKWELL KENT

ALBERT MALTZ

GEORGE B. MURPHY, JR.

O. JOHN ROGGE

PROF. FREDERICK L. SCHUMAN

DR. GENE WELTFISH

HUGH BRISON

ARNAUD DUSSEAU

HOWARD FAST

BEN GOLD

DASHIEEL HAMMETT

LANGSTON HUGHES

ALBERT E. KAHN

JOHN HOWARD LAWSON

REV. WILLIAM HOWARD MELISH

MARTIN POPPER

PAUL ROBESON

HENRY A. WALLACE

DR. BERNARD J. STERN

NEW FOUNDATIONS. Published quarterly at New York this publication now in its second year is frankly Marxist and its title taken from a line in

the Internationale "The earth shall rise on new foundations" — leaves little doubt as to its true political orientation. It is "devoted to the political, cultural, and intellectual problems of American students. It actively combats reactionary and fascist ideologies in all their manifestations and presents a positive approach to the solution of the problems of American students." Any lingering doubts as to its intellectual independence are dispelled by virtue of the fact that it recently mailed to its subscribers the summer program of Marxist Education put out by the ~~JEFFERSON~~ SCHOOL OF SOCIAL SCIENCE, listed as Communist and subversive by the Attorney General. ~~NEW FOUNDATIONS~~ may be found in most college libraries.

TWILIGHT OF WORLD CAPITALISM. For a man with a serious heart condition and unable to stand trial, WILLIAM Z. ~~FOSTER~~ is a remarkably prolific writer. He scarcely had time to dash off a 27,000 word statement of policy of the Communist Party along with numerous other writings and pamphlets, when the comrades proudly announce Mahatma's latest opus, Twilight of World Capitalism. The book will be sold by all districts of the C.P. on a quota basis with New York state promising to sell fifty thousand and California fifteen thousand. Western Pennsylvania and Nebraska won little red stars of glory when they voluntarily raised their own quotas the first week. One hundred thousand copies have been printed to sell at 35 cents. The dedication reads: "To my great grandson, Joseph Manley Kolko who will live in a Communist United States."

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#### THE COMMUNIST FRONT

The stalemate ending of the Four Ministers Conference at Paris made no changes whatever in the alignment of forces or in the cold war itself. As this Summary predicted two months ago, the Soviets made every attempt to simulate sweet reasonableness and human understanding without

actually giving an inch anywhere. Even- raucous and ranting Vishinsky conducted himself, for once in his life, like a gentleman — or at least what passes for gentlemanly conduct in Stalinland.

Stalin and the Politburo apparently have decided to continue their policy of hopeful and watchful waiting for the worst — a serious depression or crash in the United States. Meanwhile there remains the vast problem of consolidating and digesting Russia's ill-gotten gains of the past ten years, while at the same time keeping up steady expansionist pressure at weak spots in the western world. Keeping much of the West in turmoil, and occupied with internal Communist problems, by giving the Comintern's worldwide network of stooge parties a free hand to raise all of the merry hell they can get away with is another obvious and cheap strategic advantage that Uncle Joe enjoys. Watch for serious trouble in France by next September.

On the other hand all is not rosy inside the Soviet Paradise or in the Iron Curtain satellites. It is no Politburo secret that Russia is very unhappy over the slow tempo of Bolshevization in most of the eastern European countries now under the sickle and hammer. And conversely, Czechoslovakia, Hungary, Poland, and other satellites are reported becoming increasingly restive and embittered over the loss of human freedoms, disappearances and purges of thousands, wholesale confiscation of property, lengthening work hours, and appallingly lowered living standards. Even the Communist leaders, of these unhappy lands inhabited by a hundred and fifty million human beings, are learning the bitter lesson that while the Soviet masterminds know how to undermine and weaken a country's economy as a prelude to a bloodless seizure of power from within; they don't have the know-how or resources to get a stricken economy back on its feet. Or putting it in another way, the secret police, Marxist-Leninist indoctrination courses for millions, Communist propaganda, terror, and repression somehow do not lift industrial production, make chickens lay more eggs, or induce cows to give more milk.



A collateral problem for the masters of the Kremlin is to keep a tight dog collar on the necks of their satraps in satellite countries. A starved and hunted revolutionary, with no safe refuge or secure future except as a minion of Moscow, becomes a dangerously transformed man, even though he be a seasoned veteran Bolshevik, once he takes hold of absolute state power over some satellite country. This is one of the risks the Soviets must take when they spend years training revolutionaries to become their own country's rulers and who, as a result of success and power may attempt to forget and desert poor old Babuska Stalin who worked his fingers to the bone to give them a good Bolshevik education. While loyalty is deeply inculcated in Marxism, the word gratitude is unknown.

The recent expulsions, from the Communist "sacred union" of such tried and trusted old Bolsheviks as RAJK and SZOENYI of Hungary, KOSTOV of Bulgaria, and GHEORGHIU DEJ and PATRASCANU of Rumania following hard on the cashiering of GOMULKA of Poland, would seem to indicate that the long sinister arm of the M.V.D. is not the 100% loyalty insurer that Stalin and Beria fondly trust it to be. Inside of Russia many of ANDREI ZHDANOV'S closest associates are reported as "missing". ZHDANOV, father of the Cominform prior to his mysterious death two years ago, had generally been regarded as Uncle Joe's crown prince and heir apparent. Now even his son, YURI, has vanished along with A. A. KUZNETZOV (not to be confused with the labor front boss of the same name), P. S. POPKOV, N. A. VOZNESENSKY, I. T. GOLYAKOV, and many others. GOLYAKOV was head of what passes for the Supreme Court of the U.S.S.R. The Communist Party of the Soviet Union has also purged, for unexplained reasons, some 300,000 members. Loss of a precious party card in Russia is tantamount to slow starvation for one's family, as well as the individual, for few non-party Russians would be courageous enough to employ, befriend, or even feed a pariah kicked out of "the Party" which controls the state.

# NEW YORK TRIAL

The interminable N.Y. trial dragged on last month with a fourth Stalinist being remanded to the cooler for insulting and contemptuous behaviour towards Judge Medina. Previously the jurist, goaded almost beyond human endurance, had ordered three other defendants jailed for thirty days or, for the balance of the trial. Before the end of this long drawn out trial a few more of Stalin's bully boys will doubtlessly elect to achieve a revolutionary martyr's crown by sitting out their nights in jail after sticking their tongues out at the judge in a hilarious day in court. Judge Medina had very little choice in remanding bail when it became plain, even to the most stupid courtroom observer, that "the boys were asking for it". The snarling, insulting, and contemptuous conduct, of these would-be Bolsheviks, really has to be seen to be understood. News reports somehow fail to capture the sarcasm, sneers, and deliberately insulting conduct of the eleven Communist defendants.

In reprimanding Gates, after he had snarled at the Judge, "I'm testifying here — not you!", the mild-mannered jurist observed with obvious puzzlement, "Mr. Gates, you certainly are a man who looks for trouble every minute of the time." Most observers in court and others following the trial probably shared the good judge's complete bewilderment as to why a defendant should deliberately prejudice his case and go out of his way to have his bail remanded. All of which simply demonstrates that Federal judges before being named to the bench or U.S. Attorneys before being assigned to any case involving Communists should be required to attend at least a two weeks elementary course in Communist behaviourism, tactics, semantics, and psychology.

Gates, like any other Communist, most assuredly does not enjoy looking for trouble. Communists, despite wide popular belief, are not "professional troublemakers." They have a definite role to play like any actor on a stage. The average non-Communist individual, when charged with a crime and brought to court, usually is a free agent and his only pre-occupation is

the so-called "law self-preservation." He wants to clear his name and demonstrate his innocence. Or if he is guilty, he wants, through skillful legal defense to win an acquittal or a hung jury.

The problem facing a Communist brought to trial in a bourgeois court is enormously more complicated and difficult. In the first place his own fate and innocence are irrelevant and extraneous matters. His primary Communist duty is to expose, through every artful and cunning stratagem, "the whole rotten bourgeois system including its biased and one-sided courts of class injustice." It is axiomatic in Communist semantics that no revolutionary can ever get a fair break in a bourgeois court. If he is found guilty it is an obvious "frame-up". If he is acquitted it merely proves "they could not make the perjured and shabby frame-up stick." In the class warfare struggle, therefore, every Communist must carry out the Leninist doctrine of converting the prisoner's dock into a thundering forum of exposure and denunciation of the "system." This the New York Commies are really doing their best to accomplish. The Daily Worker and all other Communist line publications harp, week after week, on the single-string theme that these valiant fighters of the "vanguard party of the working class" are really fighting to preserve the Bill of Rights, the Constitution, labor's right to organize, Negro aspirations for equality, etc., etc. ad nauseam. The Communists make no bones that they are the "first line of defense against the rising menace of imperialism and fascism in the United States."

Secondly, the American Commies on trial in New York are trying desperately to earn their Marxist-Leninist-Stalinist masters' degree. They are trying very hard to demonstrate to the rest of the Communist world that they too are tried and seasoned, "steeled and hardened Bolsheviki." American Communists, since the very inception of their party in this country, have always suffered from an inferiority complex. Stalin's contempt and suspicion of the American comrades has been notorious. European revolutionaries lived hunted lives with heavy-handed police hounding them from pillar to post.

frequent and long imprisonments, Siberia, and not a few ended their short lives on the gallows or before a firing squad. In America Communists apparently ran no risks whatever, even holding cushy government positions, college professorships, or lapping up the cream in the arts, sciences, business, and professions. To say nothing of stooping to such demanding toil as slaving in Hollywood's gold mines at \$2,000 a week.

Now at least eleven of Stalin's "scouts" have a rare opportunity to win some campaign ribbons. The pictures of WINSTON and GATES in handcuffs were rushed across the Atlantic where French Communists hailed their martyrdom "in chains" to all the rest of the Stalinists world. STAROBIN, whose column in the Daily Worker is very important, as it generally sets the "line" on important dialectical matters, gave the show away when he wrote on June 6th:

"For the oppressed peoples of the world, one thing is really important: that American Communists are fighting bravely and skillfully against American reaction, with which the whole world is now in battle."

STAROBIN naturally hopes that this sentence, as well as the antics of the eleven party hacks on trial in New York, will catch Uncle Joe's cold and fishy eye in the faraway Kremlin. Did the Russian and other world Communist leaders feel that their American stooges were not fighting bravely and skillfully? Well, here is dynamic proof of their revolutionary courage and steel hardened fortitude.

During the past three years there have been numerous expulsions and desertions from the C.P. USA., not for reasons of "Browderism" but, over a bitter internal feud, springing from charges by a small segment of ultra leftists, that the present party leadership is "opportunist", "reformist", right deviationist, "Tailist", or essentially Social Democratic in outlook and direction. DR. BELLA DODD, ISADORE BEGUN (a founder of the party), ROBERT APPEL (Bronx County Chairman of the C.P.), and BERNARD SHULDINER (Allerton section organizer), were the most recent leaders to be expelled. WINSTON, HALL, GREEN and GATES, by baiting Judge Medina into sending them

to jail, have demonstrated to the Stalinist world the burning revolutionary fervor and orthodox integrity. The handcuffing business was a Godsend. It made them candidates for the Bolshevik Pantheon of martyrs and saints who suffered in Czarist dungeons and Siberian exile.

In addressing the court, after his three comrades had been remanded to jail, DENNIS betrayed the real purpose of their contumacious conduct when he said:

"Americans must grasp the fact that the judges and prosecution are acting in the spirit of Hitler, Goebbels, and Himmler ... in the spirit of J. Edgar Hoover.... A police state inquisition levelled first at the Communist Party and also against the Negro people and the trade unions. This is the message that we must bring to the people as quickly as possible. What is required is courage, integrity, firmness, mass pressure ... even greater and greater mass pressure and mass activity."

This also explains why WALDRON, alias DENNIS, undertook to be his own lawyer without benefit of legal experience, normally a stupid and silly thing to do. As Grand-Poo-Bah of the American Stalinists it devolved upon him to attempt a Dimitrov defense in the classic tradition of that Bulgarian Communist leader in Leipzig in 1934 when he cleverly converted his own trial, on charges of firing the Reichstag, into a revolutionary tribunal for exposing the whole Nazi legal and police systems to world ridicule. Starobin, in fact, waxes eulogistic when he describes Dennis as, "leading the fight from a forward position, Ben Davis challenging the judge a week ago, and now the way JOHNNY GATES and GUS HALL have stood up unafraid of the terrorism that drapes itself in a legal cloak... all this personifies the stand of the defendants. It gives them all the red badge of courage in the eyes of millions the world over." So here in a nutshell you have the real explanation for the otherwise nonsensical antics of the Commies on trial in New York.

HENRY WALLACE affected to be "deeply shocked" by the jailings and stated in the Daily Worker that it is, "one step further along that dangerous course to fascism."

Jailing four of s leaders also gave the C.P. psychological warfare department a field day. Thousands of pickets gathered in Foley Square chanting: "Hitler never died — he's sitting on Medina's side." Stalinist sob-sisters pulled out all the emotional stops relating how poor little Larry WinsCon, four year old son of one of the jailed defendants, "moans in his sleep, 'Bad man take my daddy'". The eleven year old daughter of another defendant, GUS HALL, showed remarkable early talent for Marxist humor, in its most delightful and delicate sense when unaided, at least so the Daily Worker avers, she composed in her bright little head the following deathless little couplet:

"Judge Medina dear, I wish you would take a long walk  
on a short pier."

#### COURT UPHOLDS HOUSE UN-AMERICAN ACTIVITIES COMMITTEE.

June 20th the U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals ruled unanimously that Congressional committees have the right to demand private records and papers of organizations under investigation. The decision upheld the contempt conviction of ~~GEORGE MARSHALL~~, Chairman of the ~~NATIONAL FEDERATION FOR CONSTITUTIONAL LIBERTIES~~. In appealing his conviction, Marshall had argued that the House Un-American Activities Committee had been unconstitutionally created and secondly that the Committee had no legal right to subpoena the records of the ~~N.F.C.L.~~ A week previously the same circuit court had upheld the convictions of JOHN HOWARD LAWSON and DALTON ~~TRUMBO~~, screen writers, who had refused to answer questions before the House Un-American Activities Committee as to whether or not they were C.P. members.

#### WHAT THE COMMIES ARE SAYING AND DOING.

The Daily Worker, Worker, and weekend edition of the western Peoples World lineage devoted to the general subject of Communists under fire and in trouble, last month exceeded the space given to the next three most important classifications of Communist news space: union items, Negro

and racial items, and straight C.P. propaganda. The Monthly Analysis of Communist propaganda shows a considerable shift of emphasis to the N.Y. trial, Bridges, Loyalty programs and deportations of alien Communists. As might be expected, glaring headlines and whole pages are given over to recording, for the benefit of the faithful, the heroic battle being put up by the eleven party hacks in New York for their alleged "revolutionary honor and integrity." The "Medina outrage" took up whole pages of precious space and crowded out practically everything else normally regarded as top priority by the Daily Worker's city editor. Attacks on the F.B.I. have been increased, both as to space and virulence. A full three column editorial excoriated J. Edgar Hoover and his organization as a "menace to American liberty."

"This rising secret police represent a terrible menace within the heart of a Democracy. The latest revelations of these F.B.I. sneaks, wiretapping, listening to conversations, operating with blackmail, should arouse an enraged America to its peril. Their propaganda weapon is the 'Red Scare'. They are covering America with a swarm of spies, stool pigeons, informers, and hired sneaks. The F.B.I. political dragnet is aimed at securing police state control of America in the interests of a small gang of industrialists, Ku Kluxers, and war-crazy militarists hungry for war profits."

Then in heavy bold-face type the D.W. editorial went on.

to say:

"The American people must rid the nation of this undercover network which serves not the nation but a class, the minority of the financial industrial clique. The Bill of Rights and the F.B.I. undercover network are incompatible. One or the other must go. We have no doubt which the people will choose."

On the other hand the Communist press of late has been singularly free of any great amount of vilification of the House Un-American Activities Committee which has been more or less dormant since its reorganization six months ago. This Committee, which turned out so many excellent and timely reports last year, has released only three minor reports in six months and has held exactly one hour of open public hearings in almost six months. There are also unpleasant and unconfirmable rumors of internal bickering

within the Committee itself tending toward further inactivity and division of purpose and policy.

Senator Taft, Judge Harold Medina, General Eisenhower, Walter Reuther, Senator Jack Tenney of California, Judge Bennett Champ Clark, movie actor Robert Taylor, C.I.O. President Phil Murray, George Sokolsky, Joseph Curran, and Mike Quill all rated high on the Commy unpopularity lists and came in for liberal doses of Stalinist abuse and vilification. Charlie Chaplin on the other hand, came in for a full page of fulsome praise as a great peoples' artist. The Daily Worker also happily recorded the truly staggering news that the N.Y. Textile Chapter of the ~~AMERICAN~~ AMERICAN VETERANS COMMITTEE had condemned the Americanism Division of the Legion for listing 128 assorted characters as inappropriate for American Legion functions and gatherings.

The stock market drop was also good news to the Stalinists. Starobin has been giving increasing emphasis and space to, an obvious #1 priority in C.P. propaganda, resumption of trade and economic relations between the East and the West. Starobin, in fact, admitted that the "issue is loaded with dynamite." With rising unemployment and falling markets now is the golden opportunity for all party stooges and fellow travellers to turn the heat on the United States government by dangling before the trade-hungry eyes of American businessmen the glittering pot of gold at the end of the Soviet rainbow if Uncle Sam will only restore trade relations with Russia, its Iron Curtain satellites and captives, and Red China. (All of them of course, just bursting with stupendous orders for American goods.) The Communist shadow press — those periodicals claiming to be liberal, non-partisan, etc., etc., but which curiously always seem to pick up and reflect back fairly good facsimiles of the current Communist party line — will soon be using this latest Moscow will-o'-the-wisp "good sound business with Russia" argument.

The Monthly Analysis of Communist space assignment shows a few significant and interesting changes. Items of interest to Negroes and racial



minorities have risen again from sixth place to this in order of importance. Unemployment and "the depression is here" items jumped back from 19th to 11th place. Otherwise the Communist order of precedence remains much the same as last month.

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PRAVDA, NEW TIMES, and FOR A LASTING PEACE

New Times naturally has devoted a great deal of space to plugging the various "world peace congresses" held at Paris, New York, Prague, and elsewhere. The Soviets are strong for peace all over the world -- excepting of course, in China, Greece, Malaya, and such other countries where peace-loving people are merely trying to liberate themselves from their own people and government. Nor did this Soviet magazine, which literally combs the world for news items lending themselves to pro-Communist treatment, overlook the cases of the Brooklyn MELISH'S, covered in last month's Summary. It waxed quite indignant over the "victimization of this aged clergyman."

Considerable space is also devoted to sowing seeds of suspicion and antagonism between the United States and Great Britain, and between the various Scandinavian countries. The North Atlantic Pact naturally comes in for its share of Vishinsky-like abuse. There are also hair-raising and blood-chilling stories of sinister "fascist conspirators in the pay of American Intelligence, hatching foul plots against the democratic and peace-loving peoples' governments of Eastern Europe". Considerable interesting intelligence information not available in other publications can always be found in the New Times. An American general has just paid a secret visit to inspect a Spanish military airdrome. The chief of an important British intelligence organization has made a clandestine visit to Washington to plot with American imperialist war-mongers. Few Americans have ever heard of an American air base at Keflavik, Iceland -- the full details of which are available in New Times.

Nearly every recent issue has a thinly disguised attack on Russia's Jews as "bourgeois cosmopolitans", passportless wanderers, and similar uncomplimentary terms. Frederick Woltman, N.Y. World-Telegram Pulitzer prizewinner, has

recently written a whole series of extremely enlightening articles on this new development of anti-Semitism in the Soviet Union. (Several recent publications on this subject are listed elsewhere in this Summary.)

G. Synkova, who claims to be a Czech deputy in the National Assembly, contributed a super-duper Soviet eye-opener on the diabolic activities of American fascists butchering Greek children. Synkova claims to have penetrated into guerrilla held Greece where American bombs are rapidly decimating an innocent and helpless people -- at least so New Times claims with a straight face.

"American executioners have taken over the desert islands of Nikaria, Makronesos, and others where nothing grows. There is no water, only the pitiless sun, rocks, snakes, scorpions and fascist jailers. Only the fish in the Aegean can say how many people die on these accursed islands." (And the little fishies aren't talking. Ed note) "The brutality of the American occupation far surpasses that of the Gestapo. Greek police who were trained by the Gestapo are now being taught to employ Ku Klux Klan methods to wipe out the civil population." N. Synkova solemnly assures New Times readers.

A Colonel Borisenko accused General Eisenhower of "falsifying history" and making a million dollars doing it in his recent book "Crusade in Europe". The Red Army Colonel claims that Churchill and Eisenhower deliberately stalled off opening a second front for two years hoping Russia would bleed to death.

Borisenko then writes:

"When it became evident to the military leaders of the United States and Great Britain that the Soviet Army was able single-handedly completely to defeat fascist Germany, occupy her territory, and liberate Europe from the fascist yoke, they hastened to open the second front. This is the historical truth, which Churchill and his followers of the type of General Eisenhower are trying so hard and so unsuccessfully to falsify."

Borisenko then goes on to relate that the Atlantic Wall was an "utter myth that the coastline was held by a thin and broken line of German troops, who neither in numbers, nor still less in quality, were capable of offering serious resistance." General Patton comes off no better because of his "arrant blunders and incompetent conduct of operations." Military historians also are set straight

on the Ardennes breakthrough in the winter of 1944.

"The Anglo-Americans were in a critical position. They were rescued by the Soviet Army. Faithful to its duty as an ally, on January 12, 1945, it launched an offensive on a wide front from the Baltic to the Carpathians. A large part of the German units operating in the Ardennes were hastily transferred to the East."

Eisenhower, the ingrate, makes no mention of this in his book, claims Borisenko. The last four paragraphs are devoted to denouncing "Ike" as an imperialist warmonger plotting World War III against a former ally who saved his bacon in 1942-45.

Nearly every issue of New Times has an article or two on the "deteriorating economic situation" in the United States. All alleged "crisis signals" are gloatingly paraded. Unemployment and mass misery is now nationwide but is being desperately covered up by the Administration at the behest of the Wall Street imperialists who themselves are deepening the crisis so as to cut wages and still further browbeat defenseless labor. By way of rosy contrast there will be a long article lauding the "economic progress of the New Poland" under sickle and hammer economy.

The literary and veracity level of Pravda is not much higher. Pravda is really worthwhile reading if one can secure translations from the Russian. New Times, in English and for worldwide consumption outside of the Soviet Union does have to maintain some semblance of reality and at least dress up its material as reasonable facsimiles of the truth or at least plausibility. Pravda labors under no such handicap. Lewis Carroll and Hans Christian Anderson spun their charming fairy tales for little children, but Pravda relegates them to bumbling amateurs by turning out Communist fairy tales every day that make "Through the Looking Glass" read like a solid scientific work.

Pravda's Russian readers, for example, are assured that "Harvest time

in America brings the American farmer incalculable miseries because the grain monopolists will lower prices which in turn will ruin the small farmers. They live under horrible conditions, child mortality and sickness is high, and physical endurance is on a low level." All through Pravda's reports on life in the U. S. runs the constant motif that life for the workers, professional people, small businessmen, and farmers is simply beyond human endurance. The utterly defenseless and badgered Communists on trial in New York are tormented and abused by a cruel Czarist-like judge day after day and then dragged away in chains at night to prison. Down-trodden and oppressed "workers then gather under the prison walls by the hundreds to raise their morale by singing revolutionary songs in the darkness of the night." According to Pravda, life can be grim in America.

The "beastly morals of capitalist society" all over the non-Communist world is another favorite Pravda subject. "French and British workers struggling for a crust of bread receive cruel prison sentences," the pop-eyed readers of Pravda are informed. One out of every seven persons in the U. S. is starving. The world is combed with a fine tooth harrow for propaganda material derogatory to non-Communist countries. From South Korea to the far Pacific and from Malaya to Canada, Pravda dredges up and exposes for the benefit and edification of Stalin's serfs the alleged horrors of capitalism. An article entitled "Yankees in Paris" pictures swaggering and bullying Americans "treating Frenchmen as the representatives of the lowest race." Americans on official ECA business in Paris conduct themselves like Egyptian Mamelukes. "Meeting with no opposition on the part of the French authorities the Yankees are becoming more odious in Paris every day."

Not only does Pravda, which in Russian means "truth", have an awful lot of trouble with the truth but American proper names are brutally manhandled. Even the simple name of a well known C.P. functionary, ARNOLD JOHNSON, comes out in Pravda bearing the name of the well-known restaurant chain, Howard Johnson.

A presidential economic advisor and Amherst professor, COLSTON WARNE, is Pravdaized into Kolstov Warren. PROFESSOR WARNE is praised by the Russians for his opposition to the North Atlantic Pact as is MURIEL DRAPER another darling of the Soviets. "The greatness and invincible might of the Socialist State whose peace-loving and democratic Socialist reconstruction has aroused the envy and malice of the fascist-imperialist warmongers of Wall Street" is another endless and tiresome theme song of the Stalinist literary troubadors who write Pravda. After reading about five issues of Pravda (the Truth) one is left wondering why so many Russians actually risk death to escape from such a Paradise on earth.

For A Lasting Peace, For A People's Democracy, the organ of the COMINFORM in Bucharest, devotes most of its space to recording Communist affairs in Eastern Europe and to virulent attacks on European and Asiatic anti-Communists and organizations. It also hammers away at the North Atlantic Pact, the criminal "Marshallization" of Europe, and the "murderous Tito clique". A few important American events like the recent Cultural and Scientific Conference for world peace held at the Waldorf-Astoria in New York, the AMERICAN WOMEN'S CONGRESS and similar Stalinist puppet shows are extravagantly played up and endorsed. The General Secretary of the Hungarian Communist Party, MATIAS RAKOSI, is given almost a whole page in which to attack the "Yugoslav Trotskyites -- Imperialism's Storm Detachment." An unknown Russian literary "celebrity" by name of L. Tolkunov, takes up two columns to berate and expose Bernard Baruch whose recent Saturday Evening Post article "mirrors the greed-ridden face of the warmonger." Baruch, whom Tolkunov calls "an old shark", "is displaying every sign of maniacal fear when he screams that the United States can become the victim of aggression." The Russian scribbler suggests that Baruch take the same way out of the "labyrinth of fears and war hysteria" that Forrestal chose "when he leaped to his death from the sixteenth-story window of a madhouse."

World Communists get their cues from the front page lead article of the

June 1st For A Lasting Peace editorial:

"But the people do not want war. They want peace. They have not forgotten the horrors of World War II unleashed by the Hitlerite invaders. They do not want to be hurled into another slaughter for the purpose of boosting the profits of a handful of voracious Anglo-American imperialist magnates.

The World Peace Congress held in Paris and Prague on April 20-25 was the peoples' strongest protest against war. Speaking in the name of 600,000,000 supporters of peace, the Congress expressed resolute determination to fight for peace **WITH ALL MEANS."**

The significant clause "WITH ALL MEANS" was italicized in heavy bold face type in the original text.

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COMMUNISTS IN THE GOVERNMENT, ARTS, EDUCATION & CULTURAL FIELDS

PHI BETA KAPPA released the following statement to the press on June 21st.

It is quoted without comment. Phi Beta Kappa's Committee on Qualifications and Executive Committee, which prepared the statement is composed of the following:

William T. Hastings, Brown University, Chairman

Philip Grant Davidson, Dean Graduate School, Vanderbilt Univ.

Fredreick Hard, President Scripps College, Claremont, Calif.

George V. Kendall, Dean Wabash College, Crawfordsville, Ind.

John E. Pomfret, President William and Mary College

Raymond Walters, President, University of Cincinnati

"As a Society committed since 1776 to the promotion of liberal studies and the ideal of freedom in education, Phi Beta Kappa is firmly opposed to efforts, either from the extreme right or the extreme left, to restrict within our institutions of learning the impartial analysis and evaluation of any and all literary, political, economic, social or religious tenets.

The never-ending search for truth by the open and inquiring mind is a basic necessity for the survival of the democratic way of life. To the fundamental concepts of our democratic tradition, including the freedom to teach or publish the results of honest and competent inquiry, the overwhelming majority of college teachers are deeply devoted. To impose upon them loyalty tests not required of other professions, or for outside non-professional bodies to investigate their professional competence or integrity affects adversely the morale of both college teachers and their students. In institutions where such practices obtain, teachers are being

intimidated and students are being led to believe that colleges dare no longer engage in the disinterested pursuit of truth, but must become instruments of propaganda. Phi Beta Kappa is bound to be concerned whenever conditions prevail in our schools and colleges which threaten in such ways the American principle of freedom of teaching.

The Committee on Qualifications is required by the Society's constitution to inform itself regarding the status and practices of institutions sheltering chapters of Phi Beta Kappa which may jeopardize the Society's ideals and to report such practices to the Society for appropriate action.

The Committee feels that at this time it is especially important to call upon all the institutions with which its chapters are associated to withstand the emotional pressure, from whatever quarter, to substitute dogma for critical analysis."

What price consistency? On April 26th, Frank B. Ober, a Baltimore lawyer and chairman of the Maryland Subversive Activities Commission wrote a letter to President James B. Conant of Harvard stating among other things that he had decided not to contribute to the Harvard Law School fund because at least two Harvard professors had recently lent their names to or actively participated in Communist front organizations. Mr. Ober is a graduate of the Harvard Law School. Under date of May 11, according to the N.Y. Times, President Conant replied to Mr. Ober that Mr. Grenville Clark of Dublin, New Hampshire, a senior member of the Harvard Corp., would reply further to Mr. Ober's protest. Mr. Clark's letter, written on May 27th, contained the following illuminating passages:

"Harvard like any great, privately supported university badly needs money; but Harvard will accept no gift on the condition, expressed or implied, that it shall compromise its tradition of freedom. Harvard believes in the search for truth by a free and uncoerced body of students and teachers."

Mr. Clark said he did not understand how Mr. Ober "can expect reasonable men to think of participation in open and legal meetings on public subjects as equivalent of secret plotting to commit crime merely because Communists or 'fellow travelers' take part in such meetings. By no possibility could Harvard adopt such a view which, to put it mildly, is extreme."

In a later letter, Mr. Clark wrote to Mr. Ober:



"Nothing of this character will happen under Dr. Conant. There will be no harassment of professors for ~~participating~~ in open and legal meetings. There will be no apparatus of inquiry and 'closer watch'. The harm done by the effort necessary to discover a single clandestine party member would outweigh any possible benefit."

The complete file of correspondence will appear in the June 25 issue of the Harvard Alumni Bulletin.

Dr. Conant had scarcely completed his correspondence with Mr. Cber assuring him that there would be no disciplinary measures taken against Harvard professors engaging in Communist front activity, when he co-authored with General Eisenhower the National Education Association statement of June 8th that Communists should be barred from the teaching profession. "Lowly Indians who never had the benefit of higher education or college courses in logic would call this sort of thing 'talking out of two sides of the mouth at once.'"

Wellesley's retiring president, former Navy WAVE Captain MILDRED McAFEE

~~HORTON~~, in her valedictory address scathingly denounced "Red-baiters, black-haters, and the fear which permeates our modern age. Graduating students were told by the former WAVE commander that Congressional Committee members 'fear that you have been exposed to dangerous ideas. . . And, of course, you have, in this free market place of ideas", she added.

DR. HOWARD MUMFORD ~~JONES~~, Harvard professor and president of the AMERICAN ACADEMY OF ARTS AND SCIENCES, addressing the Sarah Lawrence College commencement said sarcastically: "We are faced by an invasion of the teaching profession by 'radicals' so numerous, so cunning, so immoral, that only the strictest supervision, the most severe penalties can save our children and the republic." Dr. Jones also stated, according to the N.Y. Times: "The press, the radio, the screen, the government seem to be in league against the presentation of minority opinion. To declare for peace, to labor toward international understanding, to stand up and be counted for civil rights, or a wider diffusion of medical care, or fair employment practices, or the prerogatives of minority groups has meant in the cases of good and

gentle friends of mine that they have been shadowed by government investigators, denounced over the air, and maligned in the public prints."

Professor Ralph Fuchs, of Indiana University's School of Law speaking before American Association of University Professors recently, stated that discharging Communist professors would be an unjustified attempt to impose limitations on teachers not imposed on other citizens. Professor Fuchs took the viewpoint that no university professor should be dismissed unless it was proven that he abused his position to indoctrinate his students.

#### BLOW HOT — BLOW COLD DEPARTMENT

Yale President Charles Seymour stated that no loyalty oath would be required of Yale faculty but that no known Communists would be accepted on the teaching staff. Speaking before an annual commencement luncheon in June, Dr. Seymour is quoted as saying that "No hysterical witch hunt would be permitted at Yale. We know our faculty and trust them in their allegiance." Last February, or less than four months ago, Dr. Seymour was quoted by the United Press as saying that American colleges were not doing a good job fighting Communism. At that time Dr. Seymour was quoted as follows:

"None of us can afford to minimize the Communist threat to America. We ought to utilize all the resources that we can mobilize to teach our students the facts of Communism and the implications of Russian ideology. The Communist threat must be met vigorously and in a positive sense . . . Our traditional college curriculum has neglected the challenge."

The Board of Regents of the University of California recently directed that all of the university's 1,000 faculty members and administrators be required to take a loyalty oath. Some four hundred professors protested immediately. Dr. George Pettitt, Assistant to President Robert G. Sproul, ruefully admitted:

"We don't like the idea of oaths — nobody does. But in the face of all the cold war hysteria we are now experiencing, something has to be done."

The Illinois Seditious Activities Investigation Commission also known

by the name of its Chairman as the Broyles Commission, has just issued two reports totalling some 736 pages. Both reports will be summarized in the next issue of this Summary. The Commission recommended to the State Legislature that tax exemptions be denied to all colleges employing professors who belong to subversive, Communist, or Communist front organizations. Eleven members of the Commission signed the report. Two members of the fifteen man commission were inactive and were not asked to resign. SENATOR NORMAN C. BARRY, Democrat, and REP. CHARLES JENKINS, Republican, both of Chicago refused to sign on the grounds that there were no subversive activities at either Roosevelt College or Chicago University, that anyway Communist student clubs were not forbidden by law, and finally that they were opposed to suppression which had not as yet really proved effective in the battle against Communism."

Chancellor ROBERT HUTCHINS of the Chicago University was quoted as believing:

"The fact that some Communists belong to, believe in or EVEN DOMINATE some of the organizations to which some of our professors belong does not show that these professors are engaged in subversive activities. All that such facts would show would be that these professors believed in some of the objects of the organizations."

Dr. Hutchins is regarded as a great educator and is undoubtedly a very learned man. An ordinary Legionnaire without benefit of a Phi Beta Kappa key in trying to reason this one through must come out with the following inescapable conclusion. The Attorney General of the United States has cited the Communist Party as subversive. The C. P. is unquestionably dominated by Communists. A professor in belonging to the Communist Party, according to Dr. Hutchins, would thereby not show that he was engaged in any subversive activity whatever. In fact, it would merely show "that the professor believed in some of the objects of the organization." (Comment superfluous.)

The profundities and sapience of some college presidents' minds are

truly fearful and wonderful to behold and pass all human understanding. CLARENCE  
F. HISKEY, of Brooklyn Polytechnic, has been frequently mentioned in espionage  
hearings as the atomic scientist who allegedly handed ARTHUR ADAMS, top Soviet  
atomic spy in this country, certain important atomic bomb secrets in Jackson Park,  
Chicago as far back as September 1943, or two years before Hiroshima. He refused  
to tell the House Un-American Activities Committee whether or not he turned over  
atomic information to unauthorized persons on the hackneyed, usual grounds of  
"possible self incrimination."

This greatly disturbed Dr. Harry S. Rogers, president of Brooklyn Poly-  
technic. Asked by newspapermen what he proposed to do about HISKEY, the college  
prexy is quoted as follows:

"I intend to pursue this matter further but I don't intend  
to prejudge the case. (What case?) HISKEY'S relations  
with us have been excellent. He is a brilliant analytical  
chemist."

Dr. Rogers was sure that HISKEY could not possibly be a Communist.

"When would he have time to be?", Dr. Rogers asked. "He  
teaches all hours of the day, he is conducting research  
in our laboratories and he is forever attending various  
professional meetings." (Sic)

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#### COMMUNISM IN THE LABOR MOVEMENT

The American Federation of Labor, on June 9th, filed a statement with  
the Senate Judiciary Committee opposing both the Mundt and Ferguson Bills to com-  
bat and control Communism. The A.F.L. was opposed "for the same reasons that it  
opposed the Mundt-Nixon Bill in 1948." The labor federation regarded both bills  
as "a threat to civil liberties." It suggested instead, "that the threat of  
Communism can better be coped with by improving internal conditions and eliminating  
internal dissatisfactions upon which Communism breeds and without which it cannot  
exist. Repeal of the notorious Taft-Hartley Act would be a long step in this

direction and to our mind, would alone do more to eliminate Communism than a dozen Mundt bills." The A.F.L. also was afraid that legitimate labor unions might be branded as Communist fronts under the Mundt or Ferguson bills.

N.M.U. anti-Communists badly split. The recent referendum of the N.M.U. on whether to ban Communists entirely from the union has been abandoned because of charges that, many members did not have time to vote in the limited balloting period, and that the Honest Ballot Association, supervising the referendum, found many ballots were improperly marked or handled. The question will be decided by the next convention to be held this Fall. Meanwhile the powerful and militant bloc of anti-Communists, who last year set an example to other unions on how to clean Communists out of office, are now badly divided over the question of permitting Stalinists to remain in the union which they founded in 1937. President Joseph Curran has derisively dubbed his erstwhile anti-Communist associates who are loathe to toss out the commies as the "Society for the Protection of Communist disruptors in the N.M.U."

Meanwhile the former Communist bosses of the N.M.U. are painfully rebuilding their fortunes by attempting to start all over again from the very bottom of the stewpots and Seamen's Clubs era of 1927 when they first began infiltrating the American merchant marine in any serious manner. The Daily Worker asks for contributions and cigarettes for unemployed seamen. The Waterfront Section has supplied cots for flophouses for homeless and indigent seamen. Unemployed former "commissars" for the waterfront are carefully re-weaving their long disused net of sympathy and help for unemployed sea workers in their comeback attempt against Curran and the anti-Communists now in control of the N.M.U. Commies may be down but they are never knocked out for long.

C.I.O. Joins the "Red-baiters". For 10 these many years, the C.I.O. News

(even after the commies were purged and rightwingers took over editorial policy) was noted for its pronounced color blindness as far as Red was concerned. Like the house of hangmen where the word "rope" is never mentioned, the official organ of the C.I.O. never uttered the dread word "Communism" except in a deprecatory sort of way, "Communism? — what is that? We don't have any here!" Of late, we're glad to relate, the official voice of the C.I.O. is almost hoarse from ranting about Communists.

Editor Allan Swin recently warned C.I.O.ers to "watch for one of the dirtiest, nastiest and down in the gutter smear campaigns the commies have ever conducted in this country. Chief target of course, will be Phil Murray but plenty of dirt will be thrown in the face of the entire right wing." Swin then went on to flay the commies "who always shout for unity but are now yelling for autonomy and who frequently denounce the United States but never dare criticize Soviet Russia." Swin predicts that the October C.I.O. Convention in Cleveland "will be historic to say the least." Practically every issue of the C.I.O. News now contains long diatribes against the commies, their former bosom pals.

The Department of Justice is reported to be investigating a score or more of labor leaders who filed non-Communist affidavits under the Taft-Hartley Act and who are suspected of lying. MAX PERLOW, Secretary-Treasurer of the left-wing C.I.O. ~~UNITED FURNITURE WORKERS~~, recently tried out an entirely new tactic for Taft-Hartley Act compliance. He simply announced his resignation from the Communist Party and then filed a non-C.P. affidavit but at the same time announced that he still believed in Communist doctrines and would continue to advocate them through "peaceful, constitutional means." The Department of Justice is also "studying" the Perlow case..

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### QUIPS AND BITS-THE LIGHTER SIDE

The women of carthage who cut off their hair to make bowstrings for their embattled warrior-husbands had nothing on the Stalinist Amazons of Queens, New York. The Daily Worker of June 15 relates a most touching scene when 400 Commy women gathered to "honor" the wives of the eleven party leaders on trial in New York. So moving was Mrs. Gates' appeal for funds, when she described the "horrible conditions of the men in jail," that the gals not only kicked in \$700 quicker than you could say Joe Stalin, but one devoted female comrade tossed in a "bejewelled wristwatch." Then they undoubtedly sang the Internationale.--  
"Arise Ye Prisoners of Starvation. Arise Ye wretched of the earth."

### THE CRACKPOT RIGHT

Postal Inspectors and the F.B.I. are both interested in ascertaining the identity of a crank mailer who has been flooding the country, particularly college campus posts of the Legion with carbon copy typed letters signed "THE ~~VIGILANTES~~". The letters usually give a local city address and phone number of some reputable organization probably taken from a telephone directory. All the letters are mailed in New York. The crank writer wants the 81st Congress recalled and a new, direct open election held for the 82nd Congress. "World Jewry and the Masons" are blamed for all our present troubles.

HOMER ~~LOOMIS~~, the New York boy who tried to make good down in Georgia organizing the Hitler-like COLUMBIANS appears to have broken with GERALD L. K. SMITH and is now once more on his own. The N.Y. World-Telegram recently reported him in New York organizing something called the AMERICAN BILBO CLUB. LOOMIS, under sentence for inciting to riot, wants to return all Negroes to Africa and all Jews to Jerusalem.

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WHAT YOU CAN DO TO COMBAT COMMUNISM.

1. See that your Department Americanism Committee is voted adequate funds at your Department's convention to enable it to carry out an intelligent and worthwhile counter-subversive program for the coming year.
2. See that your Department conducts a counter-subversive conference this Fall worthy of the Legion, addressed by the best possible talent obtainable and attended not only by Legionnaires but by key opinion-moulding citizens of your state.
3. See to it that at least one of your local civic, patriotic, or service organizations brings to town, during the Fall and Winter season, several outstanding authorities on Communism to give your community the benefit of an effective antidote to all the Communist, divisive and confusionist propaganda presently being disseminated. Lists of competent speakers and their fees can be obtained from the Americanism Division, National Headquarters, merely for the asking.
4. Write to the Americanism Division for its recommended reading list. Subscribe to at least two recommended publications and buy at least three good books for your Post library, local or school library, or to circulate among your community's influential citizens. Become a missionary for Americanism.
5. Circulate your copy of the American Legion Magazine among your non-Legion friends. Leave your copy in the local school, or college library. Get the Legion's views on Communism before the youth and citizens of tomorrow.
6. Support those who are supporting the Legion's counter-subversive program. See that the movie THE RED MENACE is shown at your local theatre. Organize an "Americanism party" to see this dramatic film. Purchase or subscribe,



to the following and see that they get the widest possible circulation among your non-Legion friends and others who mould opinion in your community.

Summary of Trends and Developments, Americanism Division, The American Legion National Headquarters. A monthly for \$3.00 per year, which includes special and extra reports.

Alert, 127 South Broadway, Los Angeles, California. A weekly anti-Communist newsletter. \$10 a year.

Counterattack, 55 West 42nd Street, New York, New York. A weekly anti-Communist newsletter. \$24 per year.

Counter-Action, P. O. Box 101, Indianapolis, Indiana. A monthly anti-Communist newsletter. \$5 per year.

Human Events, 1710 Rhode Island Avenue, N.W., Washington, D. C. A weekly newsletter with excellent world coverage. \$10 per year.

Intelligence Digest, 7023 Empire State Building, New York, New York. A monthly worldwide intelligence report. \$10 per year.

Purchase and disseminate the following pamphlets and books.

A Program For Community Action, U. S. Chamber of Commerce, Washington, D. C. Best available handbook on a community program for combating subversion. 50¢.

Communist Trade Union Trickery Exposed, by Karl Baarslag. Published by Argus Publishing Company, 55 East Washington Street, Chicago, Illinois. A ninety-six page handbook of commy tricks. \$1.00.

How To Think About Communism, by Ben Gitlow. Published by Graphics Group, Whitestone, New York. 25¢

American Education and International Tensions, National Education Association, 1201 Sixteenth Street, N.W., Washington, D. C. The N.E.A.'s statement on Communism and teachers. 25¢

Soviet Russia and the Jews, by Gregor Aronson. Published by the American Jewish League Against Communism. Indispensable treatise on Soviet anti-Semitism

for demolishing the Communist myth that Jews receive preferred treatment in Russia.  
50¢.

Communism, Its Plans and Tactics, Infantry Journal Press, Washington,  
D. C. The House Foreign Affairs excellent series on international Communism.  
Indispensable handbook. \$2.00.

The Power in the People, Van Nostrand Company, New York. A timely and  
invaluable study of the basic principles upon which our government and institutions  
were founded. A "must" book for all real Americans. \$3.50.

Plain Talk, 240 Madison Avenue, New York, New York. A monthly magazine  
which should be in every Legion Post because of its remarkable coverage of all  
aspects of subversion and front activity. Plain Talk is absolutely indispensable  
for any Legionnaire who not only wants to keep currently informed as to what is  
new on the commy front but who needs facts with which to fight Communism. \$3 per  
year.

National Republic, 511 Eleventh Street, N.W., Washington, D. C. The  
oldest of the anti-Communist magazines. Each issue contains a long list of sub-  
versives presently operating throughout the United States. \$2 per year.

New Leader, 7 East 15th Street, New York. Weekly Socialist paper with  
excellent European coverage on world Communism and with many high level articles  
exposing the latest Communist shenanigans. \$3 per year.

Handbook for Spies, by Alexander Foote, Doubleday, New York. Fascinating  
personal narrative of top Soviet spy in Europe during the last war. \$3.00.

Freedom Booklets (Available only in sets of 12....\$1.20), The National  
Americanism Commission, 777 North Meridian Street, Indianapolis, Indiana. Pur-  
chase the entire set of 12, for display and use in your schoolrooms, school or  
public library. They are brief, artful, positive lessons in the blessings of  
the American Way of Life.

Summary

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Washington will be honored (?) with a "Peoples Lobby" which will fight for cancellation of the Tighe Woods rent decontrol order, Taft-Hartley Act repeal, Civil Rights legislation, defeat of the North Atlantic Pact, and demand for the extension of veterans' 52-20 unemployed compensation. The stirring slogan will be, "Mr. President Truman and Congress Keep Your Promises". The American Labor Party of Brooklyn is credited with sparking the "peoples lobby" idea. Packaging together in one omnibus demand a number of unrelated issues such as the North Atlantic Pact and extension of veterans' compensation is a typical old Communist tactic. Thousands of veterans and low income Americans interested in maintaining rent controls and extension of 52-20 benefits may be attracted to and support such an omnibus program even though they may have no interest whatever personally in the North Atlantic Pact or the question of civil rights versus states rights.

NATIONAL CONFERENCE ON ECONOMIC NEEDS OF AMERICAN YOUTH. Under the auspices of the YOUNG PROGRESSIVES of AMERICA, this long-legged title is announced in the DAILY WORKER as another march on Washington which, it is hoped, will bring four to five hundred young Americans to the nation's capital to "draw up a charter of economic rights for Young America." With rising unemployment and America's colleges dumping out several million students this summer, the Communists are readying their deadfalls and three-card monte set-ups to entangle uninformed and unsuspecting youth. The following panel of "advisors" more or less gives the whole show away:

HUGH BRYSON, Communist-dominated Marine Cooks and Stewards Union  
 QUENTIN BURDICK, left-wingish NATIONAL FARMERS UNION  
 DANIEL BENJAMIN, Dining Car Workers Union  
 HENRY PRATT FAIRCHILD, Former N.Y. Univ. professor and veteran fronter.  
 CLARK FOREMAN, Treas., Progressive Party; Pres., Southern Conference for Human Welfare.  
 EMERY GUINIER, Secy-Treas., UNITED PUBLIC WORKERS  
 RUSSEL NIXON, of UNITED ELECTRICAL, RADIO, AND MACHINE WORKERS UNION  
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THE SPOTLIGHT

SECOND WORLD YOUTH CONGRESS. The ~~WORLD~~ FEDERATION of DEMOCRATIC YOUTH, the youth section of the Comintern, announced that a Second World Youth Festival will be held in Budapest, September 2nd to the 8th. "American Youth, entitled to 35 delegates, MUST participate in 'Youth's United Nations'", an advance announcement states. Delegates, the Voice of the Comintern states, should be elected from "key industrial areas, the farms, trade unions, universities, churches, nationality groups, and Negro organizations."

There will be folk dances, mass singing, model aeroplane and ping pong contests, a night festival on the Danube and oodles of culture. There will also be a few serious sessions, needless to add, devoted to working for a "lasting peace", "peoples' democracy", national liberation of oppressed peoples -- Puerto Rico, Viet Nam, Greece, China, etc., of course NOT any Iron Curtain countries under Russian domination.

"American youth bears a special responsibility!! For it is American men of power who call loudest for the return to arms. They work to rebuild the war potential of Germany and Japan; to pardon fascists; support fascist satraps in Greece, Spain, China, and Turkey; finance colonial oppression in Indonesia and Viet Nam; reconstruct Europe into an armed camp and springboard for war. These men do not speak for the American people who want only peace, freedom, and security for themselves and the rest of the world. They do not speak for the youth of America who will die in their wars."

An appended registration blank entitled "HELLO WORLD" states that "This is Young America Talking Peace". "Our men of power may revive the fascist beast, bristle guns and atom bombs, oppress the colonies, play games with ballots and bread, finance tyrants against the people -- they may shout of Iron Curtains and scream for war . . . BUT THEY DON'T SPEAK FOR US!"

New Marches on Washington. The DAILY WORKER recently announced two more mass descents upon the capital by youth and a "Peoples Lobby". On June 8th,

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eager for the slightest indication of peaceful intentions on the Soviets' part . . . . Not only would all our pro-Soviet apologists stand vindicated, but they would be joined by literally millions of sound and patriotic Americans eager for world peace, amity, and economic rehabilitation with what appears to be sincere Soviet collaboration. It should be borne in mind, these experts warn, that there is no profound Marxist divergence of opinion or schism inside the Politburo -- both factions are ruthlessly dedicated to world conquest. Such differences as they may have would merely be one of tactics and methods to be applied in pushing forward Soviet aggrandizement."

The Foreign Ministers Conference, which started in Paris, May 23rd, will undoubtedly reveal the Soviet "new-look". NEW TIMES, published in the English language in Moscow and usually tipping off foreign Communists to important shifts in foreign affairs, hinted that the Big Four talks offer "possibilities of a return to the path of cooperation." That is, if the provisions of the Yalta and Potsdam conferences are re-affirmed and accepted by the West. NEW TIMES stated: "There is not a single burning problem of the internal life of the peoples, or of their foreign relations, that could not find a positive solution under conditions of stable peace as part of peaceful international collaboration."

Speaking recently in Texas, William L. Clayton, State Department Under Secretary, stated that Russia is winning the cold war. The Soviet Union, he said, has split the world into two parts -- the Communist world and the free world. The Communists are organized as one. The free world is divided, and if it is to remain free, it too must organize to act as one. "Only those who stick their heads in the sand fail to see that Russia is out to communize the world," said Clayton. The Under Secretary then flatly declared: "Russia is winning the cold war. Who, knowing the objectives, can doubt this? Soviet Russia has two principal

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Speakers will include WILLIAM GLASER, of Harry Bridges's I.L.W.U.; THOMAS LUDWIG, Editor of the Union Farmer; and ERNEST MAIO, vice president of U. E., who is charged with being a Communist commissar in the Spanish Loyalist Army.

SHACTMANNITES CHANGE NAMES. The relatively minor and unimportant WORKERS PARTY (Trotzkyite) numbering probably less than five hundred members in this country and Canada have changed their name to the INDEPENDENT SOCIALIST LEAGUE.

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#### THE COMMUNIST FRONT

There seems to be little difference of opinion among the experts and students of Soviet foreign policy that the world is now faced with a major shift of Communist strategy by the masterminds of the Politburo. In brief, Russia's reply to the North Atlantic Pact will be a cleverly faked act of hurt innocence, sweet reasonableness, and apparently misunderstood good intentions, rather than more Vishinsky Billingsgate and strong-arm Berlin blockades. The more subtle possibilities of the stiletto, wielded in the dark, and the poisoned wine cup of pretended friendship, will now be explored as offering greater opportunities. The goal, world conquest, remains fixed -- strategy and tactics alone will undergo a major change.

The February-March, 1948 issue of this Summary (Vol. II, #1) pointed out fifteen months ago that an entirely new line of Soviet appeasement and mollification presented the gravest danger to the West and to this country. For the benefit of recent subscribers and new readers, this analysis is reprinted here in part:

"With the world weary of war and economic crises, the slightest 'reasonable and friendly' attitude on Russia's part would instantly divide the rest of the world into two camps with millions

objectives. One is to frighten democratic governments into excessive expenditures for defense -- the other to frighten private capital and initiative so that economic disintegration will eventually ensue. Economic disintegration is usually followed by political disintegration. In a very real sense therefore the democracies are playing Russia's game. Russia is counting on another colossal economic bust as a result of inflation brought on by the cost of the cold war."

The Soviet Academy of Science's Institute of Economics recently held a long series of meetings in Moscow to discuss the American economic system and why it had not collapsed under Marxist-Leninist "scientific laws" shortly after the end of the war. The ostensible reason for these meetings, given out to the press, was that a new official Soviet textbook on political economy was being planned to replace an obsolete work published in 1930. Academician, Dr. M. B. Mitin, also delivered a learned paper entitled, "The Role and Significance of Stalin's Work on Dialectical and Historical Materialism on the Development of Marxist-Leninist Philosophy". Eugen VARGA, Hungarian-born Soviet economist, who has always had a great deal of influence on Stalin, has been in disgrace for some time because of his Varga theory of "temporary stabilization of American capitalism" -- a rank heresy to orthodox Marxists. On the other hand, the leader of Soviet economic thinkers, Nikolai Voznesensky, who predicted an early American crash and depression, and whose star seemed to rise even as Varga's went into eclipse, has now more or less disappeared from the scene. His analyses of American economic weakness appear to have gone into the Kremlin ash can, and Mr. Varga is reported busily sending secret questionnaires to diplomats from Iron Curtain countries stationed in Western Europe, seeking to find out how the Marshall Plan is working.

In short, the Politburo, while still hopefully waiting for a bad economic crash in the United States to give Russia a freer hand with her expansionist plans, has decided to go ahead with other short range plans, leading one of which



is to block any and all economic recovery of western Germany. The Sovietization of eastern Germany was made impossible by the economic blockade clamped on by the West in retaliation for the Soviet blockade of Berlin. The struggle, needless to point out, was never over Berlin, but over the future of all of Germany, the keystone in the arch of the entire European system. The rising economic improvement of Western Germany threatens the whole Kremlin plan for the conquest of Germany. An entire new approach to the problem must now be made by Stalin. Hence the present Paris Conference of Foreign Ministers. Withdrawal of all occupation troops from all of Germany will, of course, be the chief Russian demand. Unification of Germany under any kind of government at all is preferable to the present partition of the Reich as far as the Soviet Union is concerned.

It has been wittily observed that whenever Stalin wrinkles his nose to suppress a sneeze, the American Stalinists dutifully kachooo! The May 23rd issue of the DAILY WORKER reports that a "conference of 200 Marxist economists, educators, writers, and analysts met in New York recently at the THOMAS JEFFERSON SCHOOL OF SOCIAL SCIENCE." Like their Moscow colleagues, they met "to discuss and weigh the economic situation in the United States, its effects on the rest of the capitalist world as well as the inter-action between the economies of the Socialist and capitalist sectors." One stark conclusion stood out according to these American Vargas and Voznesenskys: "A new economic crisis has begun in the U. S. and is spreading throughout the capitalist world. Truman's plan of stimulating industry with huge armament orders, by protecting profits at the expense of wages, by building up a vast war economy, by strengthening monopoly, by cultivating a militant program of grabbing world markets, is definitely heading (this country) in the direction of war. The war danger is therefore made more urgent by the conviction of the capitalists that war economy and war is the only way out and makes the war danger even more urgent as the economic crisis deepens."

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THE NEW YORK TRIAL

The prosecution in the New York trial of eleven C.P. leaders rested its case after the trial had gone into its fifth month. A colored F.B.I. undercover informant, William Cummings, related that the Ohio State Secretary of the C.P. had predicted in 1945 that the Communist revolution in the United States was roughly ten years away, but that rapidly changing world conditions might serve to hasten its advent. Like previous witnesses planted by the F.B.I. inside the C.P., Cummings swore that the formality of issuing party membership cards had been dropped last year. Cummings also told the jury that his Communist instructors taught that American workers were so stupid and backward that they probably would never be able to organize their own proletarian revolution so that they would have to be pushed or forced into action by the "vanguard party of Communists".

Another F.B.I. informant and young St. Louis businessman, Thomas A. Younglove, spent several days on the stand unfolding the now familiar story of Communist intrigues, conspiratorial tactics, and revolutionary teaching. Younglove swore that Communist neophytes were told in indoctrination courses: "Don't kid yourself. Socialism will never come by the ballot box. You've got to fight for it." The Communists also charged that Pres. Truman was keeping four million soldiers under arms in order to keep down the workers. However, as the workers became more and more militant and stronger in numbers, under conditions of economic depression, the government would be forced to increase the National Guard, F.B.I., and police strength until the final day of armed clash. It would then, in all probability, use the atom bomb against Americans seeking to liberate themselves from the horrors of capitalism in a last futile effort to save a dying economic and political system. Younglove also testified that Stalin had sent word over in 1946, to the American Communists, that war between the U.S.A. and the U.S.S.R. might come at any moment and that American Communists were to prepare

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to go underground.

Another government witness, John V. Blanc, who had attended secret Communist "leadership" schools, told the Federal jury that his Red instructors doubted that "backward American workers could make a revolution of their own" without help from middle class intellectuals and that for this reason it was necessary for the C.P. to cultivate the friendship of professional and middle class elements through front organizations and other means. This is an interesting deviation from orthodox Marxism and a rank heresy against Leninism. This particular secret school for revolutionary cadres was located on an isolated Ohio farm far from any main highways. Students who had to make phone calls were ordered to make them at a filling station three miles away. Mr. Blanc also testified that C.P. "colonizers" had been ordered to concentrate in railroad unions so that Communists in time of revolution could hamstring the government by tying up the railroads, and making rapid troop movements impossible.

Balmes Hidalgo, the last government witness to testify, told the court that Commies had boasted to him that they would control New York City with 10,000 "good" Communists after they had seized power. The comrades also boasted that as a result of World War II, they now had over ten thousand party members who had military training and combat experience.

The following salient and significant facts on American Communism appear to have been well established by the government's case:

- (1) The C.P. USA, according to abundant evidence, conducted its affairs in a spirit of ultra secrecy and well-oiled conspiracy even to the use of fake names or merely first names, cells limited to four or five crypto-Communist professional and business people, double talk or Aesopian language to disguise real intent and purpose, and extraordinary "security" measures governing secret.

schools, meetings, phone conversations, etc.

(2) The purpose of such super secrecy was to hide the fact that the Communist Party in this country unquestionably takes its directives on all major policy matters from the Soviet Union and that there is no known historical instance where it ever deviated from, criticized, or opposed official Soviet foreign policy.

(3) The C.P., as has often been contended, is in no sense an American political party or an honest democratic movement devoted to sincere efforts of ameliorating bad social or economic conditions by lawful and constitutional means.

(4) The C.P. has set up and maintained for years secret schools for the indoctrination and training of carefully selected leaders and such training and indoctrination was not available or even made known to ordinary rank and file members. Much of the instruction given in secret at such hideaway schools was in direct contradiction to the open and official "line" of the Party made available to ordinary members and the general public. Key Marxist-Leninist textbooks were used at these schools which taught the necessity and duty of forcibly overthrowing and destroying all present bourgeois forms of government and social organization.

(5) In order to hasten the day for seizure of power, party members were arbitrarily ordered into basic industries as "colonizers" in order to be in a position to more effectively sabotage American war efforts in any conflict with the Soviet Fatherland.

(6) The C.P. USA, since its very inception, has carried out an undeviating program of divisive and morale disintegrating propaganda, in order to weaken the United States and "ripen" it for eventual revolution. This program of psychological warfare waged against their own native land embraced every conceivable artifice

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of exacerbating and inflaming religious, social, economic, racial, and even geographical differences in the hope, that Americans fighting among each other would have neither the time nor interest to become seriously concerned about Communist infiltration. Also that dissatisfied and embittered elements, of such internecine war between Americans over artificially stoked-up issues, would tend to attract at least a certain appreciable percentage towards Communism as a refuge and haven of liberal and humanitarian support.

(7) The trial also brought out that there was no such thing as democracy inside the C.P. itself, that all decisions and orders emanated from the little known top leadership and were ruthlessly enforced with iron discipline on a blindly obedient and unquestioning membership.

At the conclusion of the government's case, the Communist defense lawyers immediately moved to strike out all testimony of F.B.I. men and informants on the ground that such evidence had been "illegally" obtained by trespass and misrepresentation. Judge Medina listened patiently for over three hours to this sort of argument, as well as, two other motions asking that the indictments be thrown out, and a directed verdict of acquittal be ordered brought in. The Judge ruled against all three motions, after deliberating them over the weekend, and the defense was ordered to put on its first witness May 23rd. Thus far, over 11,000 pages of testimony have been taken with no less than 1500 pages of defense objections and quibbling alone.

William Z. Foster, separated from the case by a tolerant government on grounds of precarious health, has enjoyed sufficient good health to pester the court for weeks with a "demand" that he be permitted to file a brief in behalf of his eleven co-defendants. Judge Medina finally permitted the filing of such

a brief under certain legal requirements. Foster then ground out a 27,000 word statement summarizing the whole Communist defense position which the DAILY WORKER printed last week in the form of a sixteen-page special supplement. The C.P. attempts to prove that its policies and activities are entirely within the law and always have been. Foster happily cited the Supreme Court decision in the Schneiderman case in which America's highest court found in favor of Schneiderman, as a "fair and objective statement of the fundamentally peaceful and democratic character of C.P. policy, not only of the party's tactical line in 1927 but of its present policy as well."

Foster's long-winded argument ran true to Communist form of indignantly denying all charges and then turning the defense into a savage indictment of the whole American system as the real criminal at the bar. It was not the poor innocent Commies who are plotting force and violence, but sinister Wall Street reactionaries, who are conspiring against the people in order to bring on fascism, war, and imperialist world conquest. Foster does admit that his rather illuminating book, Toward Soviet America, published in 1932, "contained many incorrect formulations and in general no longer corresponds to the present political situation and our policies." Foster, speaking for the party, also disclaims any and all responsibility for the "vast body of Communist writings, many of which were merely personal opinions or which were written to fit different political situations than those prevailing in our country at present." The party accepts responsibility only for "those documents specifically indicated by the party", not for anything else apparently officially put out by the C.P. years ago and perhaps a bit inconvenient today.

Another interesting deviation from former Communist infallibility was the rejection of Lenin's doctrine of the inevitability of war under capitalism. Foster states that the "forces of world democracy are now able to place a bridle on capitalist war-makers." In the face of capitalist preparations for World

War III, "the democratic forces have become strong enough not only to halt war, if they act unitedly, but also to defeat the capitalists if they should launch a war."

#### THE NEW YORK MAY DAY PARADE

The annual parade of the comrades was held this year on April 30th and down Eighth Avenue as usual. Observers reported a notable decrease both in marchers and in enthusiasm, but admitted that there were more floats in line this year than previously. Despite desperate Stalinist efforts to make a good showing, as a morale shot in the arm, the turnout definitely was down by 40% as compared to last year. The police estimated 16,000 marchers with about 15,000 spectators. The estimates of newspapermen varied from 10,000 to 18,000. The DAILY WORKER claimed 80,000 after promising a turnout of one hundred thousand. Later, Inspector Fristensky of the N.Y. Police Department insisted that clockers tallied exactly 5,426 marchers as they entered Union Square. Of this number, about 400 were in uniform. One of the "marshals" wore an Air Force uniform with first lieutenant's bars. A Communist in Army uniform acted as color bearer, flanked by a Negro Marine and an ex-sailor. Veterans of the Abraham Lincoln Brigade were given the place of honor.

Despite many objections, neither the Armed Services nor the Department of Justice made any effort to stop America's quislings from masquerading in the uniforms they wore in the last war. Shrewd Commy lawyers, anticipating possible trouble, had craftily devised some fake "memorial services" to be held at Union Square after the parade as a pretext for the use of uniforms. The law is apparently so loosely drawn that former servicemen as long as they live can wear uniforms they wore during the last war to funerals and memorial services even though they have been severed from all connection with the armed forces years ago. Army, Navy, and other intelligence services scurried about grinding out pictures of all marchers in uniform.

Counter demonstration Loyalty parades on Fifth Avenue and in Brooklyn brought out an estimated 127,000 Americans with close to a half million spectators. Numerous other patriotic rallies were held as Americanism antidotes to the Stalinist side show held every May Day.

#### EISLER SKIPS

The Eisler hegira has received wide, daily press coverage, so only the briefest of comment need be made on this "flap" as the British would call it. As a leading Comintern agent or "rep", Eisler obviously did not skip as a matter of personal whim. He was obviously worth more to his Kremlin masters in Germany than the mere \$23,000 bail money put up by the ~~CIVIL RIGHTS CONGRESS~~ to ensure his appearance when his various appeals had been disposed of.

Eisler's sister, Ruth Fischer, called her brother, "the perfect terrorist type, most dangerous for the people both of America and Germany." She testified two years ago before the House Un-American Activities Committee that during his twenty-seven years of Comintern service, Eisler had been sent by Moscow to China, Spain, Austria, Czechoslovakia, and many other countries, usually on missions of a terroristic nature. Miss Fischer said that her brother was responsible, to her personal knowledge, for the deaths of at least two of his closest associates and friends in the Moscow purges, and for an unknown number of other "little people who were caught in the purge." This record of alleged murder and international Communist hatchetman activity apparently did not deter a number of American colleges during the past two years from inviting Eisler to speak to students on civil rights, human liberty, and other humanitarian subjects. Eisler's last Parthian shot fired at Pres. Truman and the American government because of the North Atlantic Pact was that if Americans could not and would not understand the language of "peace" as laid down by Russia, perhaps they could be made to understand the language of the people of China, i.e., armed insurrection and destruction of their own government by the Chinese Communists. When he



swaggered from the British courtroom, Eisler crowed: "I hope the United States suffers several more defeats like this one!"

Another curious angle in this case is the fact that Eisler had readily made his true identity known to the master of Batory when he bought a first class passenger ticket after stowing away at Brooklyn. It is simply inexplicable why a Comintern agent who had used innumerable aliases as well as other people's passports for getting into and out of the United States, should so obligingly identify himself when it was entirely unnecessary, and any fictitious name would have sufficed to carry him on to Gdynia, Poland, where the ship was bound. The Batory, on which Eisler fled the U.S., has long been suspected of running Soviet agents in and out of this country. Important Soviet secret agents, such as Eisler, seldom if ever slip up on such relatively unimportant details as transiting from one country to another, and usually select fool-proof escape routes. Nor was there any good reason for the Batory's captain to radio that he had a stowaway aboard, after the stowaway had paid his fare. He need merely have added him to the passenger list, under any phony name, and carried him safely to Poland, informing American Immigration authorities of the fact later.

The ease with which Eisler strolled aboard past many pier guards, Immigration Service, and F.B.I. men is also puzzling. Eisler is of an extremely distinct type whose facial characteristics and odd shaped head would attract attention anywhere. It was also obvious that one of Russia's leading agents in this country, although out on bail after two criminal convictions, and fingered by his own sister as one of the world's more dangerous Comintern goons, was not under any surveillance whatever and apparently was free to roam the United States as he pleased making his seditious speeches and carrying out whatever subversive activity he felt like. Rep. Arends of Illinois, in a speech in Congress, pointed out that the government apparently had no idea where Eisler was or what he was doing.

There have been persistent rumors that the Cominform is holding an important secret session in Czechoslovakia. Eisler's hurried plane hop to Prague

from London after advertising that he intended to stay in England a week may be to attend these meetings. His Prague statement ridiculing the Department of Justice for its handling of his case and calling Attorney General Tom Clark "the biggest fool in the United States" is a typical example of Communist contempt for their bourgeois enemies.

Another curious angle of the Eisler fiasco was the fact that a Columbia Broadcasting Company correspondent, ~~RICHARD A. YAFFE~~, happened to be on the Batory. According to Frank Coniff of the Hearst chain, YAFFE has "long been known for his far-to-the-left political orientation." YAFFE was former city editor of PM, the "uptown edition of the DAILY WORKER"; he was a speaker at a rally sponsored by the ~~AMERICAN COUNCIL FOR DEMOCRATIC GREECE~~, (cited as subversive by the Attorney General); he was Chairman of the ~~AMERICAN COMMITTEE FOR A DEMOCRATIC FAR EASTERN POLICY~~ meeting in New York (see Counterattack, Dec. 17, 1948); he contributed to the party line magazine, Soviet Russia Today; and he was identified with the Stalinist dominated left-wing in the American Newspaper Guild. CBS apparently is not too fussy about the kind of people they hire to broadcast news to America from behind the Iron Curtain. If you listen to CBS stations, you might write CBS at New York, 485 Madison Avenue, and ask how come they hired Mr. YAFFE.

MR. PETERS AND ALIASES ALSO LEAVES. Eisler's French leave created an international furore, as it had undoubtedly been planned, which grabbed all the front page space. An equally important and equally sinister Comintern character who finally settled for the name of Alexander Stevens, although he had also been known as Alexander Goldberger, Isadore Boorstein, Steve Lapin, Peter Stevens, Steve Miller, and J. Peters, quietly departed these shores on his own volition after fighting deportation since October, 1947. Under the nom de plume of J. Peters, Mr. Stevens, alias Boorstein, etc., etc., in 1935, authored the now classic collectors' item "The Communist Party -- A Manual on Organization", which was so hot that the Party soon withdrew it from public sale. It is still

*\*Radio Industry  
Richard A. Yaffe employed by C.B.S.  
(sample card)*

used in court cases to prove the revolutionary aims and tactics of the Commies.

It is an interesting reflection on American hospitality and immigration tolerance that Mr. Stevens and all of his numerous aliases has been with us illegally since 1924 or thereabouts when John L. Lewis first exposed him as a dangerous Comintern agent. Nothing ever happened. Whittaker Chambers identified him as the boss Soviet spy in Washington in 1934, who set up the first government infiltrating cells. Mr. Stevens apparently operated unhindered, unhampered, and was never even subjected to the indignity of being picked up for questioning for a quarter of a century. At least there is no record that he was ever indicted or formally charged with any crime except that of being in this country illegally-- and that only after twenty-five years of completely unrestricted activity. In return for such kindly treatment, Mr. Stevens, alias Peters, alias Boorstein, etc., etc., graciously issued a statement to the American people saying that he did not want to subject the government to the cost and trouble of long drawn out legal proceedings and, as his usefulness to the American people in their struggle for peace and democracy had been ruined by bad men calling him names, he was picking up his marbles and going to Hungary to work for the "peoples democracy" there. "Parting is such sweet sorrow."

In a statement to the House Judiciary sub-committee on Immigration, Attorney General Clark admitted that the Department of Justice has listed some 833 suspected alien subversives, most of them from Russia or Iron Curtain countries, whom he would like to deport, but is unable to do so under existing laws. The Attorney General also said that there were some 3300 other undesirable aliens at large in the United States because of loopholes in our immigration laws. Of this second group, over 2000 come from Soviet Satellite countries and 1180 from the Soviet Union. Immigration Commissioner Watson B. Miller, in a letter to the same Congressional sub-committee, said:

"The situation has now become so serious, with every indication that it will increase rather than diminish in importance, that the Congress may feel that the enactment of legislation of this type is a necessity, not only for the proper administration of the immigration laws, but from the standpoint of national security

of the United States."

WHAT THE COMMIES ARE SAYING AND DOING

Space limitations compel the omission this month of all PRAVDA, NEW TIMES, FOR A LASTING PEACE, and other foreign Communist publication excerpts and comment. Highlights from these various organs of the Comintern will in the future be summarized every other month.

The iron nerves and steel-hardened steadfastness of America's Bolsheviks seem to be a bit frazzled as the result of various developments last month. The DAILY WORKER verges on the hysterical in its pages of attacks on F.B.I. undercover informants who testified at the New York trial. Communists have always been quite proud and conceited about their ill-concealed ability to infiltrate and spy upon other organizations. They just love spying, and it becomes second nature to every real Communist.

That the F.B.I., through the years, apparently has been able to train and infiltrate a formidable number of highly efficient counterspies into the party was not only a bad blow to Communist morale and sense of security, but gall and wormwood to such arch connivers and intriguers. Whole pages of Communist periodicals are given over to psychopathic vituperation of the "stoolies and rats". The Communists are under no delusions that the G-men have uncovered and used up all their best undercover agents in the N.Y. trial. A fierce witch-hunt for traitors is going on inside the C.P. USA without benefit of publicity.

Attacks on the F.B.I., informers, and other anti-Communists, which last month occupied 11th place in the table of precedence in Communist publications, this month rose to sixth place. Negro and racial items, in eighth place last month, rose to fifth in order of importance due to a great mass of material designed to interest and attract colored Americans. Likewise, an extraordinary amount of precious space was set aside to cover the Ford strike and the vicissitudes of Taft-Hartley repeal and similar items of labor interest, in order to

worm into the good graces of labor where the Communists are still fighting a losing rear-guard action and retreat, particularly in the C.I.O. No less than 35 half-columns, or almost two pages of DAILY WORKER space, was given over to Ford strike coverage alone. This unusual interest in Ford is explained by the fact that the comrades hope to stage a come-back in the United Auto Workers by moving in and demonstrating their undying loyalty and devotion to the interests of the Ford strikers. Ford Local #600 is one of the largest and hence a key local in Reuther's union.

A whole page of space or more was devoted to the Durocher-Boysen affair because of its alleged racial persecution angle; to a fulsome defense of CHARLES CHAPLIN as a great "people's artist"; to exposing the alleged "lies" about Soviet anti-Semitism in the New York Times, Newsweek, and other "brass-check press"; and, to exposing the "lies" in the New York Times about the N.Y. trial of the eleven C.P. leaders. The Sunday WORKER had a full page amalgamating Nazi book-burners with the U.S. government's prosecution of C.P. brass. The movie, Home of the Brave, also was considered worth a full page boost. The DAILY WORKER, on the other hand, definitely does not like a new Republic picture soon to be released, entitled Red Menace.

Tighe Woods, Federal Housing Expediter; Earl Browder; Senator Pepper of Florida, a former darling and hero; the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People; and David Dubinsky also rated high on the Commy unpopularity list. "The betrayals of Pres. Truman and reactionary Congress offer new broad opportunities for united front struggles," the DAILY WORKER opined. It also was sure that a "mood of struggle is growing among the working class and its allies." The C.P.'s National Committee warned that "New and terrible dangers beset the American workers and people." (Communists evidently do not consider workers as people, Ed. note) The Politburo further warned:

"The growth of fascism in the U. S. has been undermining the Bill of Rights. Now every democratic right is threatened with destruction. \*\*\*The developing new economic crisis menaces our people

with catastrophe.\*\*\* Our taxes bolster European reaction instead of building American homes. We need more social security, more hospitals, more schools -- but the wealth we produce is used to stockpile atom bombs and to buy weapons of mass destruction and death. In the streets the anti-Communists, the K.K.K., the reactionary leaders of the American Legion and the Catholic War Veterans are inciting fascist violence against those who work for peace and democracy . . . ACT TOGETHER NOW TO CHECK THE GROWTH OF FASCISM AND PRESERVE THE BILL OF RIGHTS!"

In fact, the comrades are tipped off to maneuver themselves off the hot spot of increasing public disfavor by making "Save the Peace" the supreme slogan of the party.

"The fight for peace can and must be won by concentrating now on forcing American imperialism and its government to negotiate with the Soviet Union for a settlement of the German question along the lines of the Potsdam agreement, to discard the criminal war plans of the North Atlantic Pact and of re-arming Europe, to seek an understanding with the Soviet Union along the lines of Roosevelt policies, and to accept the Soviet offer for a peace pact between the United States and the U.S.S.R." (National Committee, C.P. USA. directive)

News items on rising unemployment, wage cuts, layoffs, rising relief rolls and similar "the-depression-is-here" line of the C.P. took a plunge from sixth to nineteenth place in order of importance. The trend, in the Communist press, toward more and more straight defensive lineage is quite marked. Last month, for example, five times as much space was set aside to vilifying F.B.I. witnesses, and other anti-Communists, than was given to "depression" items.

This represents a definite retreat from an offensive, morale demoralizing attack, to an out-and-out defense and futile abuse of former Communists and others who have already done about all the damage they can to the C.P. and who in the main will not be seriously hurt or embarrassed by Stalinist mud-slinging. The unbridled and lengthy attacks on these so-called "stool-pigeons" is therefore, not mere malicious retaliation but a panicky attempt to frighten and intimidate into silence party weaklings and other possible waverers ready to desert the sinking ship.

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COMMUNISM IN RELIGIOUS, CULTURAL & EDUCATIONAL FIELDS

WITH MELISH TOWARD NCNE. For the past several years, a bitter internal fight has been going on in one of Brooklyn's oldest and formerly "fashionable" churches -- "the Holy Trinity" Protestant Episcopal Church of Brooklyn Heights.

Once the very stronghold of old conservative families, the Heights has undergone considerable changes with the years. Much of the district became rooming house. The congregation of Holy Trinity changed with the neighborhood. The assistant rector, JOHN HOWARD MELISH, son of the rector WILLIAM HOWARD MELISH, even demonstrated his "democracy" by marching in Communist May Day parades in New York (at least until a couple of years ago). He was also Chairman of the NATIONAL COUNCIL OF AMERICAN-SOVIET FRIENDSHIP, branded as subversive by the U. S. Attorney General. Counterattack, the anti-Communist weekly newsletter, even charged publicly and on several occasions that Melish junior was a Communist. These "outside activities" of the assistant pastor made some of the more conservative members of the congregation unhappy. They attempted without publicity to persuade the assistant rector to drop some of his more obnoxious "outside activities". He refused. He lauded and wrote for the DAILY WORKER, contributed gushy pro-Soviet articles to Soviet Russia Today, and in brief, carried on for "peace and democracy", as exemplified by Stalin's sweet Beulah Land.

Over a year ago, the vestry finally asked both Melishes to resign. It even offered the elder Melish, who had held the pastorate for forty-five years, a double pension. They both refused. The vestry then asked the governing Bishop of Long Island, the Right Rev. James Pernet de Wolf to accelerate their departure. After prolonged hearings, the Bishop asked Melish senior and junior to betake themselves elsewhere. They again refused and a long drawn out legal battle followed through the courts. At one point, a rump meeting of part of the congregation attempted to depose the nine vestrymen who led the fight to oust the Melish team. A New York state Supreme Court judge, and lifetime friend of the elder Melish, found for the vestrymen and ordered the Rev. Melish to obey his Bishop's suggestion that he "sever pastoral relationship with the Holy Trinity Church as of April 4th." This decision has been appealed, but in the meantime, the Melishes are out.

This, however, did not end the matter. A number of guest preachers



were invited to fill the vacant pulpit each Sunday. Thus far, each one appears to be a friend or supporter of the Melishes. The line-up thus far has been the celebrated GUY EMERY SHIPLER of The Churchmen "award" fame, previously covered in this Summary; a Rev. LORIN BRADFORD YOUNG of Manchester, New Hampshire, whose sermon showed a good grasp of the dialectic; and others who upheld and defended the departed clergymen.

Few important developments came to light during the past month as far as cleaning up Communists in the colleges is concerned. No other universities have had the courage to follow the example set by Washington University in canning three of its worst campus Reds. The ousting of the three University of Washington profs, because of Stalinoid activity, naturally raised a nationwide hue and cry in so-called "liberal" circles about "academic freedom". Some of the same Americans now apparently so badly worried about "academic freedom" over the justifiable canning of a couple of self-admitted campus Bolsheviks have never raised their voices even to a peep about human slavery in the Soviet Union, religious and political persecution in Iron Curtain countries, or any other excesses by Communists or the Soviet Union ranging from mass murder during the bloody 1936-38 purges down to the martyrdom of Cardinal Mindszenty and the Balkan religious leaders -- acts which affect the lives and freedoms of hundreds of millions of human beings.

It is interesting to note that while certain fuzzy "liberals" and other pinkos are loudly yelling about academic freedom, Norman Thomas, the Socialist leader, and certainly no "witch-hunting reactionary" came out publicly as opposed to permitting Communists to teach school. Speaking before the Rochester City Club, Mr. Thomas defined Communists as members of an international conspiracy and added: "No member of a conspiracy has the right to teach in our public schools if we are to continue to believe in Democracy."

ILLINOIS INQUIRY. The report of the Special Illinois Legislative Committee to Investigate Subversive Activities is not as yet available. It will be summarized in an early issue of this Summary.

Testifying before a Massachusetts Legislative Committee, Dr. J. B. Matthews, former Chief Investigator of the old Dies Committee and a speaker at several American Legion counter-subversive conferences, told the Bay State solons that Harvard, Columbia, and the University of Chicago led all other institutions of higher learning in the number of faculty Communists, fellow travellers, and pinkos. Dr. Matthews, himself a former college professor, is an authority on campus Communism and maintains extensive files on fellow-travelling college professors.

~~The~~ AMERICAN ASSOCIATION OF UNIVERSITY PROFESSORS promptly countered with a release claiming that it had been "swamped" with complaints of violations of academic freedom. Eight professors or faculty members protested that they had been ousted from the college berths, or their contracts not renewed, because they had openly supported the WALLACE campaign. The A.A.U.P. admitted that the three discharge cases of the University of Washington were the only actual cases reported of self-admitted Communist professors losing their jobs. It did list about a dozen other doubtful cases of alleged infringement of academic freedom. Seven Socialists and "ultra-liberals" had been released at Olivet College, Michigan, with ten other resignations as a result but none of these had ever filed any complaint with the A. A. U. P.

The "swamping" of the A.A.U.P. therefore appears to have been limited to eight canned Wallaceites, three discharged Commies, and a half a dozen other miscellaneous cases.

\$52,000,000 IN ANTI-TRUST SUITS. The ten Hollywood characters who put on their own contempt of the House Un-American Activities Committee show in the

very best Eisler manner in 1947, and as a result had their cushy movie contracts lifted, have now filed anti-trust suits against ten major film companies for a total of fifty-two million dollars. ROBERT ~~K~~KENNY, former California Attorney General, has filed these actions under the Sherman Act on grounds that firing pro-Communists from the movie industry was "restraint of trade". The list of these ten hostile witnesses who refused to affirm or deny that they were Communists is published once more, this time with the amount of "heart balm" they are demanding from their former employers:

ALBERT <del>M</del> MALTZ	\$3,750,000	LESTER COLE	\$6,435,600
EDWARD <del>D</del> DYNTRYK	\$8,350,275	ADRIAN SCOTT	\$6,942,600
RING <del>L</del> LARDNER, JR.	\$7,147,500	DALTON TRUMBO	\$7,233,000
ALVA <del>B</del> BESSIE, SAMUEL <del>X</del> ORNITZ, JOHN HOWARD <del>L</del> LAWSON and HERBERT <del>S</del> SIBERMAN, \$3,000,000 each.			

The University of North Carolina Student Legislature at Chapel Hill has gone on record as being "Unalterably and irrevocably opposed" to requiring non-Communist affidavits from University students or faculty members. The resolution passed unanimously and was sent to the University's Board of Trustees. A Congressional investigation last week had disclosed the fact that an Austrian born student and self-admitted Communist, HANS ~~F~~FREISTADT, was studying at the University on a \$1,600 annual fellowship granted by the Atomic Energy Commission.

Seventy-five members of the Cornell University Association of Scientists sent a telegram to Senator McMahon of the Atomic Energy Joint Congressional Committee opposing "the requirement of political affidavits for government-financed fellowships." The Association wired that it was "deeply disturbed by the threat to the welfare of science embodied in the recent injection of politics into non-secret science." The Cornell scientists felt that such non-Communist affidavits "will inevitably lead to further restrictions which will weaken American science."

A two-thirds majority vote of the convention is necessary to oust a C.I.O. affiliate. Murray and his majority faction made no bones over the fact that they hope to oust the Communists in control of about a dozen C.I.O. unions without losing the unions themselves.

GEORGE MORRIS, who writes the labor column of the DAILY WORKER, scouted all rumors and predictions that left-wing C.I.O. unions would secede if driven to the wall by right wing pressure in the C.I.O. Executive Board, as well as continued raiding by sister C.I.O. unions. MORRIS laid down the significant line:

"Communists and other sound left-wingers have been traditionally opposed to any tendencies of dual unionism or secession from the mainstreams of the labor movement."

The fourteen-year, iron grip of the Stalinists on one of this country's largest and most important war defense unions, the UNITED ELECTRICAL, RADIO & MACHINE WORKERS OF AMERICA is slowly starting to crack. Since the beginning of the year, anti-Communist slates of officers have won control of the giant Westinghouse Local #601 at Pittsburgh, the General Electric local at Schenectady, the G. E. local at Cleveland, Local #768 at Dayton, and Local #1140 in Minneapolis, the latter the largest C.I.O. local in Minnesota. Loss of #1140 means the end of the Communist domination of the Minneapolis C.I.O. Council.

Pres. ALBERT FITZGERALD, an opportunist and nonentity, whom the Commies lifted from total obscurity in 1940 to the International Presidency replacing James Carey, is reported wavering as a result of the stunning blow administered by the anti-Communists when they took his own home town local at Lynn, Mass., with some 16,000 members right out of his vest pocket. RUSS NIXON, slick UE legislative agent with a long pro-Comm record, is rumored to be the boy all groomed and ready to step in bumbling FITZGERALD'S shoes -- comes the day. The Communists still control the national office 100%, most of the important districts, the publications, and practically all of the full time staff but the

COMMUNISM IN THE LABOR MOVEMENT

The long overdue indictment of HARRY BRIDGES on charges of conspiracy to obstruct and defeat naturalization laws, and the C.I.O. Executive Council's ukase to its own left wing to conform and follow C.I.O. policy or get out, were the two most important developments during the past thirty days in the labor movement and its fight to clean house.

The long-awaited housecleaning of Stalinist vermin deeply imbedded in the woodwork of the C.I.O. came to a head last Fall at the Portland, Oregon, convention of that labor confederation. The last fleabite that apparently nettled slow-moving and cautious Phil Murray into action was the defiant "Aw go to Hell!" attitude of Bridges' ~~INTL~~ LONGSHOREMENS AND WAREHOUSEMENS UNION at its recent San Francisco convention. Bridges brazenly announced that his union would continue to defy C.I.O. policy and that it would indirectly maintain contact with the Soviet-dominated ~~WORLD~~ WORLD FEDERATION OF TRADE UNIONS from which the C.I.O., the British Trades Union Congress, and other western, democratic labor bodies withdrew last Fall.

The three-day session of the C.I.O. Executive Board was long and stormy. Some executive sessions lasted eight hours, and the shouting and angry recriminations going on behind closed doors could be heard across the backyard in Blair House, where Pres. Truman has his temporary White House. In a resolution, adopted 29 to 6, the board ordered its left wing leaders to resign or else face the prospect that their international unions might be ousted by convention action next October. The six who voted to continue defiance of the National C.I.O. were HARRY BRIDGES, DONALD ~~HENDERSON~~, ABRAM ~~FLAXER~~, JOSEPH ~~SELLEY~~, HUGH ~~ABRYSON~~, and JAMES ~~DURKIN~~. Mr. Murray claimed the unions which they represent make up less than 10% of the total C.I.O. membership. BRIDGES, speaking for his own I. L. W. U., stated that his union was flatly opposed to seceding from the C.I.O. This is quite obviously the Community Party line which the other unions under C.P. domination will also follow.

militant "antis", who recently held their own conference in Dayton, Ohio, feel confident they can swing the next convention.

Less than a year after cleaning the Communists out of office in the ~~NATIONAL MARITIME UNION~~, the rank and file anti-Stalinist caucus finds itself badly split over the question of barring Commies from membership in the union which the C.P. itself helped found and foster. ~~JOSEPH CURRAN~~ and most of the top leadership, many of them former Stalinists themselves, have recommended that Communists be banned from the seagoing union which controls most of the Atlantic and Gulf merchant shipping. ~~JACK LAWRENSEN~~, ~~CHARLES KEITH~~, and a number of other officials, some of them also former party members, oppose this suggestion. The matter, under N.M.U. constitution, has been referred to a membership referendum, and the results will be known in June. The Communists themselves are completely discredited and isolated in the N.M.U. and are no longer a factor of importance. They are starting in again at the very bottom rung of the ladder where they were in 1928 by organizing waterfront "stewpots" and shelters for homeless and hungry unemployed seamen. This new development will be fully covered in July's Summary.

#### C.P. FRONTS AND MISCELLANEOUS

The following fifteen members of the American Sponsoring Committee for the Soviet-inspired ~~WORLD CONGRESS OF FIGHTERS FOR PEACE~~ held last month at Paris may be required to register with the Department of Justice as foreign agents:

Bishop ~~ARTHUR MOULTON~~, Utah

O. ~~JOHN ROGGE~~

~~OLIN DOWNES~~, N.Y. TIMES, music critic

~~ROCKWELL KENT~~, N. Y. artist

Prof. F. O. ~~MATTHIESSEN~~

~~W.E.B. DUBOIS~~, New York

~~ELMER BENSON~~

~~HOWARD FAST~~, novelist

~~LION FEUCHTWANGER~~

~~ARTHUR MILLER~~, playwright

Prof. ~~FREDERICK SCHUMAN~~

~~ARTIE SHAW~~

~~CLIFFORD ODITS~~, playwright

~~MAX WEBER~~

~~LOUIS UNTERMEYER~~, the poet, ~~ELLA WINTER~~, California pro-Soviet writer, and ~~ALBERT KAHN~~, another scribbler of the Left, were listed as secretaries of the Paris "peace" jamboree.

The House Un-American Activities Committee, in a special report on the so-called Waldorf-Astoria CULTURAL & SCIENTIFIC CONFERENCE FOR WORLD PEACE, charged that both the Paris and New York conferences were part of a world-wide Communist campaign to mobilize intellectuals and scientists, particularly atomic scientists, to carry on a "civil disobedience campaign" against their own non-Communist governments. The report stated:

"If the Communists could succeed by playing upon the notorious political naivete of physical scientists in inciting scientists to a 'strike' against their own government, or sabotage, it would be a real achievement for the Soviet fatherland."

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#### THE COUNTER OFFENSIVE -- HOW YOU CAN COMBAT COMMUNISM

The Toledo city council recently decided to honor a local Negro citizen, William Cummings, for his patriotic service in joining the Communist Party as an undercover F.B.I. informant. The quickly mobilized Communist and fellow traveller apparatus for generating synthetic and phony "protests" completely buffaloed the Toledo city fathers who dropped their commendable project of suitably recognizing a meritorious service in behalf of this country in its defense against subversion.

In instances of this kind, the silence and utter apathy of patriotic, fraternal, and civic groups, representing as they do the overwhelming majority of the population, are a shameful commentary on the spinelessness and inertia of

James F. Green, Chairman of the National Americanism Commission, delivered the Legion's well prepared brief in behalf of S.1194 and S.1196, which substantially embody most of the features of the Mundt-Nixon Bill, which failed of passage in the Senate last year. In addition to his formal brief, Jim also gave a well-reasoned dissertation on the question of free speech versus Communist control as raised in the recent Supreme Court decision in the Terminiello case.

Frank S. Tavenner, Legionnaire and former Assistant U. S. Attorney for western Virginia, has been selected by the House Un-American Activities Committee to act as its Chief Counsel. Mr. Tavenner helped prosecute Premier Tojo. The Committee has not had legal counsel in the last six years.

House Consolidated Resolution #52 would appropriate sufficient funds to print one million each of the House Un-American Activities Committee famous little pamphlets entitled, "100 Things You Should Know" series. Legion Posts and Departments should write to their Congressmen urging speedy action on this resolution. The Committee has been swamped with several hundred thousand letters requesting copies of various reports exposing Communist activities but lacks the funds to print enough copies to satisfy the demand.

The Red Menace, a full length Republic picture recently completed in spite of Commy sabotage attempts, will be distributed to all parts of the country this month. After a preview, shown May 26, in Indianapolis, the Director of the National Americanism Commission sent the following telegram to the president of Republic Pictures, Inc.:

LEGION STAFF GROUPS PREVIEWED PICTURE RED MENACE ON TUESDAY

AFTERNOON AND AGAIN LAST NIGHT. WE ARE CONVINCED THAT IT IS



so many organizations which talk a good anti-Communist fight with an annual resolution or two (costing nothing) but which contribute absolutely nothing to the common fight against America's enemies. Whether we like it or not, the Communists do have the courage to act, fight, and sacrifice for their evil cause while all too many people on our side either continue to snooze away because they are too busy with their own private affairs, or else look the other way when an opportunity to do something practical about Communism is brought to their attention.

Also, the same observation might be made on the vital question of mobilizing support for state legislatures investigating or seeking to find ways and means of curbing Communist activity. In many instances, state legislators patriotically attempting to initiate some very limited and rudimentary anti-Communist legislation have found themselves practically alone and deserted by even their own colleagues, who knew how to beat all sprinting records when a "hot issue" loomed ahead. Instead of being supported by mass delegations from patriotic, fraternal, civic, and other organizations, these courageous legislators often found themselves surrounded and hounded by noisy and offensive gangs of professional protesters, Commy dupes, fellow travellers, and other rabble.

At Sacramento, California; Springfield, Illinois; and other state capitals, literally hundreds of these loud-mouthed yaps were on hand, many undoubtedly at their own expense, to bulldoze and heckle subversive activities committees. The great patriotic organizations, long on thunderous resolutions and Fourth of July orations denouncing Communism, were conspicuous by their absence. The DAILY WORKER boasted that the supporters of some anti-Communist legislation had a hard time finding enough witnesses to use up the fifty minutes allotted to the proponents of the bill while there were several hundred "prominent individuals of all political affiliation on hand who had travelled hundreds of miles and then failed to get the floor in the fifty minutes granted to the opposition."

of the CIVIL RIGHTS CONGRESS, a C.P. front, told a Senate sub-committee that legislation barring Communists and Commy fronters from government jobs would throw millions out of work. BUCHANAN argued that any government denial of employment to Communists and their stooges would be imitated by private employers so that literally millions would be jobless and homeless.

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AN UNUSUAL FILM TO WHICH WE CAN GIVE OUR WHOLEHEARTED ENDORSEMENT. THE FILM SHOWS METHOD OF RECRUITMENT OF COMMUNIST PARTY. HOW IT CAPITALIZES ON RACIAL OR GROUP DISSATISFACTIONS, HOW LITTLE COMMUNISTS ACTUALLY CARE ABOUT CORRECTING INJUSTICE AND UNEQUALITIES, HOW RUTHLESS AND BRUTAL COMMUNISTS ARE IN ACHIEVING ULTIMATE GOALS, HOW STRICT PARTY DISCIPLINE IS, HOW COMPLETELY A MEMBER BECOMES PART OF A FANTASTIC WORLD OF FEAR. A DIFFICULT SUBJECT HANDLED WELL WITH A HIGH ENTERTAINMENT VALUE. WE SHALL URGE STRONG LEGION SUPPORT.

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QUIPS AND BITS --- THE LIGHTER SIDE

You can't fool the Commies. The Soviet newspaper, Soviet Sports, has just unmasked American Boy Scouts as an imperialist device for training young robots to become bourgeois spies, strikebreakers, and cannon-fodder for imperialist armies. Soviet Sports informs its readers that "under the banner of humanity the minds of these youths are poisoned with imperialist ideas." The Scout slogan that "A Scout is a friend to everybody and a brother to every other Scout" is offered as proof of the "pitiful decadence" of western world Boy Scouts.

A Soviet film Court of Honor won the Stalin Arts prize of 200,000 rubles (about \$40,000 in real money). It is spine-tingling, super-duper "miller-dramer" of sinister American machinations and low dirty work to steal Soviet scientific secrets. The cabled report did not state whether Mr. Arthur Adams, chief Soviet spy in the atomic ring in this country, will be offered any bit part in the picture.

GOSH-THAT-WOULD-BE-AWFUL DEPARTMENT. THOMAS G. BUCHANAN, former Washington Star reporter, canned for being a Communist and now Legislative Director

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APPENDIX II

SUPPLEMENTARY REPORT on the CULTURAL & SCIENTIFIC

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September 8, 1949

Honorable George N. Craig  
National Commander  
The American Legion  
777 Meridian Street  
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My dear Mr. Craig:

It affords me the greatest pleasure to be able at this time to express my sincere congratulations for your election as National Commander of The American Legion.

You have my best wishes for every possible success during the coming year in your new responsibilities and I hope you will not hesitate to call on me at any time the FBI can be of service in matters of mutual interest.

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

cc-Indianapolis

NOTE: In 1934, information concerning employment in the FBI was requested by Mr. Craig. 67-43719. In the past we have congratulated the new National Commanders of this organization and Inspector Mannington suggests that a similar letter be sent to Mr. Craig.

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## New Head of Legion Pledges Active Role For Younger Element

By the Associated Press

PHILADELPHIA, Sept. 2.—The American Legion's new National commander—40-year-old George N. Craig of Brazil, Ind.—pledges to make that organization "an important voice in the Nation's political and social life."

The Hoosier lawyer—first World War II veteran ever named to head the Legion—was chosen yesterday in a nip-and-tuck race with three other candidates. The job pays \$15,000 annually and carries with it a \$35,000 expense allowance.

Philadelphia, its streets washed clean of Legion literature, resumed quiet normalcy today after four days of serious discussion, speech-making, politicking and parading that marked the Legion's 31st National convention.

**Cites Responsibility in War.**

The convention's over—1950 is next. In November the Legion's National Executive Committee will decide where the 32nd conclave will be. Los Angeles, Boston and New York are bidding for it.

Mr. Craig rolled into office on big majorities given him by a half dozen of the Legion's biggest State departments—Pennsylvania, Illinois, Ohio, Texas, Indiana and New York.

The new leader was serenaded by a Hoosier band as he strode to the rostrum to accept command.

"My generation has already carried the responsibility of national security in time of war," Mr. Craig said, "and now we join in unity of purpose, our older comrades . . . in promoting and safeguarding those principles necessary for our continued strength and prosperity as a Nation."

An estimated 60,000 Legionnaires attended the convention, which Perry Brown, Beaumont, Tex., retiring national commander, called "the best in our long and colorful history."

The 60,000 came in part to parade and make merry. They did both well. The Legion marched into Philadelphia's hearts with a 12-hour parade seen by 1,500,000 people. But the convention's 6,700 delegates and alternates sorted through more than 1,000 resolutions.



PHILADELPHIA—THEY'LL HEAD LEGION AND AUXILIARY—Mrs. Marie Sneeche of Rockford, Ill., was elected president of the American Legion Auxiliary and George N. Craig of Brazil, Ind., was chosen commander of the Legion yesterday. They are shown on the rostrum of Convention Hall just after the elections. Mr. Craig, 40-year-old attorney, is the first World War II veteran to hold the post. —AP Wirephoto.

The Legion took these stands:

1. The United States should keep atomic energy under civilian control and not share its secrets with any nation, including our allies.

Aid for Chinese Nationalists.

2. Chinese Nationalists fighting communism should be aided.

3. "As far as possible," any further immigration at the present time should be curtailed.

4. Universal military training should be instituted and the present draft law should be terminated.

5. A national air academy should be established.

6. A self-help plan to bring new jobs, industry and housing to the Nation's cities and towns should be set up.

7. The Communist Party should be outlawed.

In each instance, the Legion called on its membership to support the Legion program and to fight for its adoption.

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Mr. J. Edgar Hoover, Director  
Federal Bureau of Investigation  
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Dear Mr. Hoover:

Thank you very much for your congratulatory  
message upon my election as National Commander of the  
American Legion.

I assure you that I shall do everything within  
my power to live up to the confidence which has been  
evidenced toward me, and it is good to know that I may  
call upon you for assistance.

With kindest regards, I am

Sincerely yours,

*George T. Craig*  
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### THE SPOTLIGHT

MARCH OF LABOR. Latest addition to the near-Communist press.

Slick paper, eight and one-half by eleven inches, thirty pages, and no advertising. Claiming to be "The New Voice of Progressive Labor," Vol. 1, No. 1 betrays its Stalinoid parentage and political orientation on its very first page by listing the following contributors of articles:

JOHN F. RYAN, RUSS NIXON, JOHN STEUBEN, (an alias for Itzok Rifak), DONALD HENDERSON, VITO MARCANTONIO, LOUIS SAILLANT, and VICTOR PERLO.

PERLO, according to testimony furnished the House Un-American Activities Committee, headed up a Soviet spy ring in Washington, and the others are all too familiar to require further identification or comment.

COMPASS. Same format as MARCH OF LABOR and also on slick paper.

Calls itself "The Intercollegiate Literary Review" but its advertising, its contributors and their articles leave little doubt that this particular compass points undeviatingly to the magnetic pole of Moscow. Any lingering doubts are dispelled by the tell-tale union label or "printers' bug" -- good old No. 412 which appears on more comy printed matter and periphery press than any other bug in New York. This collegiate COMPASS should not be confused with the New York tabloid DAILY COMPASS, which succeeded the short-lived N.Y. STAR and unlamented PM. The DAILY COMPASS deviates from the true magnetic pole at Moscow by such an infinitesimal one-trillionth of an inch variation that only the most delicate scientific equipment would be capable of detecting and recording it.

CONTINENTAL CONGRESS FOR PEACE. Of Communist-inspired phony "peace conferences" there is no end. Latest one to be staged is scheduled September 5th to 10th at Mexico City. One of the greatest difficulties in attempting to interpret Communist activities and lingo to non-Communists is Communist semantics or double talk, or what Louis Budenz called Aesopian

language. As some one once wittily observed, "Peace is when Stalin is plotting war against some victim. War is when the victim awakens to his danger and hastily plans some sort of defense against Stalin." Starobin of the DAILY WORKER, for example, assures his commy readers "The movement for peace is sweeping some of the key countries of Latin America like wildfire." Except for a few minor wars with neighbors, most Latin American republics have enjoyed unbroken peace for over a hundred years, or since they gained their freedom from Spain early in the 19th century. No European invader has threatened the peace or security of any Spanish American nation since the enunciation of the Monroe Doctrine with the possible exception of the Emperor Maximilian adventure in Mexico nearly a hundred years ago. In brief, Latin Americans are not worried about any threats of war.

What Starobin is saying, in typical sly commy double talk, is that unemployment and economic distress is quite serious in Mexico and a half dozen other South American countries such as Chile and Brazil. The United States depends upon Latin America for many important raw products, some of them critical minerals vital to a defense or re-armament program. In the main, Latin Americans have generally been suspicious of, if not outrightly unfriendly to, the "Colossus of the North." Now is the time to start a jolly good backfire right in Uncle Sam's backyard by needling Latin Americans against the hated Gringos of the U.S.A. The Marshall Plan, E.R.P., and M.A.P. are really sinister and fascistic Wall Street plots to enslave the rest of the world under the guise of fighting Communism. Swarms of Soviet agents have been busier than beavers, throughout South and Central America since the end of the war, undermining American good will and prestige.

The center of Soviet espionage against the United States is located in Mexico City and the work is carried on almost exclusively by non-Russian nationals of Iron Curtain countries. The boys in the Kremlin

have apparently decided that now is the time to call an open public conference to "tie in" all the loose ends; case the dupes and dopes coming to the peace conference for possible spy recruits; instruct and tighten up the fellow travellers and fronters who have developed chilblains since the Waldorf-Astoria fiasco; uncork and pass around to the boys the strong fire-rater of anti-American agitation to be dispensed throughout Latin America; and such other odds and ends of propaganda warfare as may be on the agenda.

W. E. B. DuBOIS, recently fired by the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, because of alleged excessive front activity, and DR. LINUS PAULING, rapidly emerging as the HARLOW SHAPLEY of the West Coast, are co-chairmen of the North American Committee issuing the call for the fake "peace" conference. ELIZABETH MOOS, identified by her son-in-law, William Remington, as "probably a Communist Party member since 1940", signs correspondence as the Secretary. CHARLES CHAPLIN, UTK HAGEN, ROBERT W. KENNY, PAUL ROBESON, O. JOHN ROGGE, and DR. GENE WELTFISH of Columbia University (Prexy Eisenhower please note!) are listed as members of the United States Committee of the AMERICAN CONTINENTAL CONGRESS FOR PEACE. CHARLOTTA A. BASS, MURIEL DRAFER, ROSE RUSSELL, DR. MAUDE SLYE, ELLA WINTER, JOHN J. ABT, DR. EDWARD K. BARSKY, RICHARD O. BOYER, OLIN DOWNES, PAUL DRAPER, PHILIP EVERGOOD, HOWARD FAST, DASHIELL HAMMETT, DONALD HENDERSON, ALBERT E. KAHN, ROCKWELL KENT, CORLISS LAMONT, WILLARD LAMPELL, RING LARDNER, JR., ALBERT MALTZ, VITO MARCANTONIO, CLIFFORD ODETS, HARLOW SHAPLEY, AGNES SWEDLEY, GALE SONDERGAARD, DIRK STRUIK, HENRY WALLACE, and JAMES WATERMAN WISE are only a few names, picked at random from the official list of sponsors totalling several hundred names of perennial fronters, C.P. members, spies, dupes and dopes. The complete list will be published as an appendix to the September issue of this Summary. In brief, same old names; same old faces.

NATIONAL CONFERENCE ON JOBS AND THE ECONOMY. The next show of Uncle Joe's Repertory Players will be staged in the vast Public Auditorium of Cleveland on September 17th. This will give the boys barely a week to hurry home from Mexico City, change their shirts, and catch their breath before hurrying on to Cleveland. The Cleveland extravaganza will capitalize on and exploit the unemployment situation, a "natural" for Stalin's bully boys. This one is being called by the Progressive Party of Mr. Henry Wallace. The complete sponsor list is not yet available but will also be appended to the next issue of the Summary. The DAILY WORKER, as usual, gives away both the cue and clue to this latest propaganda show. "Congress spends billions for our armed forces and more billions to arm western Europe, Greece, Turkey, and Korea. The Fair Deal that Truman promised has become a raw deal. This time has come for strong and positive action by the people." We'll report on this one in the next issue of the Summary.

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Despite widespread journalistic speculation and unconfirmed rumors of Politburo differences and changes as well as serious difficulties inside the Iron Curtain--most of them sired by wishful thinking out of hoping-for-the-best false optimism -- basic Soviet foreign policy remains glacially unchanged. Needless to add, no discernible change in the party line of the C.P. USA, a dead satellite planet merely reflecting the rays of the Soviet sun, need be anticipated until Mother Russia herself gives the nod. The vast ideological Grand Canyon separating ruthless but thoroughly realistic Communist thinking and action from that of bourgeois self-defeating and weakening tendencies to procrastinate, compromise, avoid critical decisions and somehow muddle through under the basic philosophy of "things are never as bad as they seem and somehow things will work out OK," is being dramatically illustrated by present unfolding events in the global cold war.

... last six months the Soviets have suffered serious reverses in Yugoslavia, Italy, Germany, France, the Berlin airlift, etc. Spreading Communism for the moment appears to be checked on all fronts except China, India, Malaya, and southeast Asia in general. Minor and isolated successes in South America and Africa can be discounted as these areas are as yet of minor strategic importance. These reverses nevertheless have had no discernible slackening influence on Soviet aggressive plans, based as they are on a fanatical belief in the inevitability of the triumph of world Communism, fortified and strengthened by the revolutionary's knowledge of Lenin, that revolutions which even momentarily pause in their advance or go over to the defensive are inexorably doomed. In other words the Russian masters, knowing their Lenin, have no choice but to protect their slave empire by fanatical and ruthless aggression. Any attempt at stabilization or even maintenance of the status quo is death, as Hitler and Mussolini learned.

Dynamic world Communism is therefore never seriously embarrassed or hampered by reverses, but actually thrives on defeats and returns to the attack with redoubled fury and zeal. All grandiose plans and policies for "containing" or stopping further Russian aggression at some particular point in time or line in geography, no matter how brilliantly conceived and ably carried out, must in the final analysis fall into the same fatal trap as the people of France in the late thirties cowering behind their stupendous and "impregnable" Maginot Line. All similar Chinese Great Wall schemes of holding back the barbarians of the steppes are ineluctably doomed to similar breaching and flanking when the advance Fifth Columns of the modern Genghis Khan are already safely and well entrenched deep inside the bodies politic of the West.

The ages old military precept that the best defense is a smashing, surprise offensive obviously holds equally true in political warfare or a cold war, so-called. Only belatedly and recently has this chilling

realization forced itself into the thinking of the leadership of the West. The decision of the Holy See to stand and fight it out to the bitter end is part of this awakening of the West. In the great world drama now unfolding, which will decide the fate of mankind for centuries to come, the hour of decision to abandon all weakening defensive efforts, which can only lead to catastrophe, and boldly to go over to the offensive, no matter what the cost, cannot be safely postponed much longer. Time is running short.

Soviet Russia obviously does not and cannot afford to risk war. Communists are never gamblers or military adventurers willing to stake all on a contest of arms. Their basic guiding philosophy is quite simple. Why fight for something and perhaps risk everything when you know you can pick it up for nothing and with no risk a few years hence merely by carrying on highly successful political warfare. The pattern of Soviet conquest is now all too well known to all who have merely read the papers for the past few years. Uncle Joe is doing right well, thank you, without the risk and cost of modern armed conflict. Therefore there is no good sound reason why the Kremlin should not continue its highly successful expansionist program of economic, political, and psychological warfare -- until forcibly convinced by the solid and arresting logic of a serious counter-offensive carrying into Russia, her satellites, and worldwide Fifth Columns the same sort of disastrous virus as it has so assiduously injected into the West in the past two decades.

Meanwhile, despite serious internal weaknesses and increasing external problems, the monstrous and bloody Juggernaut of world Communism rolls steadily forward dragged or pushed now by some twenty million fanatical devotees. It will continue to roll forward, crushing still more helpless millions beneath its wheels, until the western world awakens to its danger and many times twenty millions of fighters for freedom belatedly but victoriously spring into action. Before that can happen, however, it

is now quite plain that some Supreme Court justices, the numerous Judge Sherbow's, and a few million other Americans very badly need a hurry up course in the basic and rudimentary nature of Communism, that is, a course in exactly what it is and not what they think it to be.

The Catholic Church's war with Communism in central Europe is being widely reported in the public press and requires very little further comment or elucidation. The Polish and Czech Communist governments promptly replied to the Papal decree of excommunication with typical Communist terrorism and brutality. Catholic priests who attempted to deny church rites to Communists or others supporting the Communist government would be imprisoned on grounds of treason against the state. In Poland alone over 100 Catholic priests have already been arrested on the usual framed charges and many of them sentenced to prison. The Holy Office recently issued a statement that some 1500 priests had been sentenced to death, imprisoned, arrested, mistreated or have completely vanished in the so-called Iron Curtain countries since the end of World War II. Vatican sources stated that the exact number of priests killed, deported, jailed, or mistreated cannot be exactly determined because of iron censorships, but that it had reports totalling over 1500 of such cases.

In Prague a priest, Alois Fajstyl, was sentenced to eight years imprisonment, loss of property and civil rights on charges of "high treason" because he allegedly withheld the last sacrament from an aged woman Communist until she had sent her C.P. card back to the party's headquarters. She recovered and denounced the cleric to the police. In sentencing the Catholic priest, Judge Richter, President of the State Court, denounced the Vatican as the "main enemy of our national interest and especially our national independence." The Communist Party of Czechoslovakia issued a manifesto declaring a war of no quarter on the Catholic Church and calling



upon all Communists to crush and liquidate the hierarchy as "its greatest enemy." It claimed it was not warring on religion --merely on the "church order."

As Father Fajstyl was being hustled off to prison, several "Americans" popped up in Prague "to learn the truth about the Catholic-Communist difficulties." An A.P. report stated that they represented no organization but just happened to be there. The names of three of the four-man self-appointed delegation, however, gives the show away as usual:

Prof. JEROME DAVIS

HENRY PRATT FAIRCHILD

Dr. BENJAMIN MAYS of Morehouse College, Atlanta, Georgia.

Rev. GEORGE E. PAINE of Cambridge, Mass.

The first three have extensive and impressive fellow travelling records; nothing is known as to the Rev. Paine or how he happened to be in Prague travelling along with fellow travellers. The forthcoming whitewash report is eagerly awaited by the Research staff of the N.A.C.

The "sure you can do business with Chinese Communists" boys in the State Department are not getting much co-operation from Mao-Tze Tung. U.S. Vice Consul Olive at Shanghai had his teeth kicked in and was given the works by Communist police for a minor traffic violation as a "lesson to American imperialists to respect their betters." American films and music are already banned and American missionary schools are having a tough time. The Chinese Communists are still eager to do business with Americans --but only in such fields as they are desperately hard up and only on their own terms. An old Russian proverb comes to mind: "He who sups with the Devil must have a very long spoon." American businessmen hoping to snatch a biteful out of the China Red bowl will undoubtedly learn to their sorrow that their ladles were too small, much too small.

Nor is Chou En Lai, No. 2 Chines Red any more helpful to American appeasers. In a speech quoted in the New China News, Chou cheerfully

concedes "The present great victory of the Chinese peoples' liberation army is inseparable from the sympathy and assistance rendered by the Soviet Union. Without the Soviet Union, without the victory of the anti-Fascist second World War led by the Soviet Union...The Chinese revolution would not have won its present speedy and great victory." (Chou En Lai is also quite a character actor --he once impressed General Marshall with his "sincerity" by crying real tears.) And finally General Chu Teh, No. 3 Communist bigwig in the Chinese hierarchy, speaking at a meeting of the Sino-Soviet Friendship Association, stated: "Without the Soviet Union the Communist victory in China would not have been possible." Just a lot of poor Chinese agrarians trying in their own democratic way to re-adjust the Chinese land problem! ---Where did we hear that one?

As the Chinese Reds swear undying fealty and devotion to the Great Red Father in the Kremlin, one of Stalin's brightest pupils Josip Broz, alias Tito, seems to have finally broken off all family ties of devotion and filial love. Soviet and Cominform country munitions reported moving into Yugoslavia until a few months ago have been cut off. The strangling economic blockade, which thus far appears to be Stalin's chief weapon of retaliation against the rebel, is being drawn tighter. The first open attack on Soviet Russia, as distinguished from the year old war of words against the Cominform, was recently delivered in typical Communist blistering fashion by Moishe Pijade, former pet of Stalin and veteran Comintern goon. Pijade accused the Soviets of pursuing the land-grabbing tactics of the Czars and then with typical Communist gail and hypocrisy went on to accuse his former pals: of having betrayed Socialism and the international proletariat, of treachery and other high crimes against the sacred tenets of Marxist-Leninism, and finally the unkindest cut of all --of "Shylockian commerce with the imperialists." In other words pretty much the same stuff thrown at Tito by Moscow mudslingers.

A few weeks later Tito belligerently announced the Yugoslav army was ready and would hurl back any invaders --including the Russians. This, needless to say, was a supreme and unpardonable heresy against the gospel of Stalinism and is therefore tantamount to an ideological declaration of war. Just as the mere imagining of the King's death was once a high crime in feudal England, so is even the thought of the slightest opposition to the Kremlin, the "Holy of Holies of the international proletariat" as Stalin once phrased it, the deadly sin unforgivable of the Comintern. Moscow promptly reacted to Tito's unmentionable crime by warning world Communists that the "murderous Tito clique now represented Russia's most dangerous enemy." This in effect makes Tito Public Enemy No. 1 and a mad dog to be exterminated on sight by any loyal son of the Cominform.

Tito's year long struggle and gradual break with the Kremlin is another example of the characteristic, soul-wracking struggle which every seasoned Communist apparently must go through before he can finally force himself to come out in open opposition to his former faith. One of the strongest holds Communism rivets on its victims is, that a break with the Party means not only a complete denial and repudiation of one's entire Communist life and service, but worse, only the deadly choice of going over to the hated enemy class as a rat and renegade to all that is noble and fine in this world or to become a futile and sterile "wanderer into nothingness." Some deserting and expelled Communists never can muster up enough courage to make the break clean. They lapse into total passivity and absolute silence and will never, during the rest of their lives, criticize or work against the Party which they have utterly rejected and fled.

Only highly articulate former Communists can attempt to explain to non-Communists the terrific psychic struggle required not only to break with the party but to come out in open opposition against what for years

they were taught and firmly believed the highest and noblest of causes to which a human being can devote his life and talents. Both, Valtin in OUT OF THE NIGHT and Gitlow in his epic I CONFESS, go to considerable pains to explain this tremendous psychological decompressing process which former Communists must painfully and slowly undergo in their attempts to come up out of the lower depths of Communism, back into the upper world of sunlight, air and freedom. The profound and well-nigh unbreakable grip, with which Communism enslaves its victims, cannot be compared to drug addiction, chronic alcoholism, or any other human vice or experience. Its description is almost impossible to convey to ordinary non-Communists.

#### AMERICA'S OWN FIFTH COLUMN

Stalin's secret army of American quislings in this country, some five to seven divisions, is now rapidly going underground while keeping up a pretense of legality and "open Party work." All, except the so-called "legal apparatus" of paid functionaries and the expendables necessary to carry on open work, are rapidly trying to sink out of public sight. All important members have been instructed to retain their present positions at all costs whether they work for the government, in defense industries, unions, or elsewhere. They are to carry on no identifiable Communist work, leaving that to the still considerable swarm of auxiliaries, fellow travellers and sympathizers, the dupes and the dopes. They have even been given special dispensation to deny C.P. membership, swear to any kind of loyalty or other oath, and if need be, even go through the empty and phony motions of actually "resigning" from the C.P. as several prominent Communist labor leaders have recently done. All so-called "mass activity" is now being carried out by the fronts, C.P. controlled unions, and other satellites.

Industrial units are being broken up into the classic pattern of Cuban revolutionary cells consisting of not over ten people in a cell with

only one leader having sole liaison with the next higher echelon so that undercover agents and potential weaklings and deserters cannot possibly learn the identities of more than eight or nine individuals in their own limited cell. Even New York City community clubs are tending more and more to meet in small groups at private homes under the guise of harmless social activity. Membership cards were abandoned last year for all save a few paid functionaries and others whose long party records make it useless to attempt to cover up. Records, membership lists, minutes of meetings, and other incriminating written material are strictly tabu.

The Progressive Party and a few of the biggest fronts such as the NATIONAL COUNCIL of the ARTS, SCIENCES AND PROFESSIONS and the CIVIL RIGHTS CONGRESS will be expected to shoulder most of the heavy load of the party's mass activity. Many smaller fronts are playing possum, particularly those like the JOINT ANTI-FASCIST REFUGEE COMMITTEE and others which have been badly crippled by Congressional investigations, prosecutions, or widespread public exposure. Americans of late have become extraordinarily wary of suspected C.P. fronts. The publication and circulation of lists of cited C.P. fronts, such as issued last year by the National Americanism Commission and the House Un-American Activities Committee, have served to alert hundreds of thousands of otherwise trusting and careless Americans.

Experts who have studied and kept track of C.P. fronts for many years are now concerned that they wily comrades may shortly, if they have not already started to do so, make a major tactical shift and revert to the favorite techniques of the old conspirative days of the early twenties. This might be called the culture club and discussion group method of maintaining contact with broad masses of non-Communists. This technique has already been reported on some college campuses.

\*\*\* Discussion groups and culture clubs delve into philosophy, the

arts, literature and then gradually and imperceptibly work around to political economy and naturally current issues of the day. Marxism, Communism, Soviet relations, and even Socialism are hardly mentioned. Five or six meetings generally are enough for the well hidden crypto-Communists to classify or "case" all the chumps and particularly to detect and ferret out "red-baiters", possible F.B.I. agents, and other undesirable elements. Politically dependable prospects are carefully checked before being cut out of the herd and roped for selection into "more advanced study groups." The dopes, deadwood, and possible snoops and red-baiters are then given the blow-off by liquidating the group. Sharp-eyed and suspicious individuals with hyper-sensitive noses for Reds are simply ridiculed and laughed off the premises as ignorant witch-hunters by demonstrating that love of good books, art, or philosophical discussions was all that brought and held the group together. The Canadian spy disclosures three years ago revealed that several of Canada's atomic spies for Soviet Military Intelligence were originally "developed" and brought into the net through such "discussion groups." Legionnaires in a position to report on such discussion group deadfalls are invited to communicate with the National Americanism Commission at National Headquarters.

As it continues to sink slowly out of public view, the Communist Party continues to spew out more expellees. No less than forty-eight Stalinists were recently purged in one New York county alone --most of them on the fraudulent and specious grounds of "white racial chauvinism." BELLA DODD, veteran Party hack and former legislative agent for the notorious C.P. controlled Teachers Union of New York, had the red can tied to her for "vile chauvinist slanders against the Negro people." This is typical commy double talk and choice smear terminology as she was actually bounced for her opposition to the Party's present suicidal line in the

C.I.O. She is reported to have been critical of the Russia-firsters in the C.P. who were willing to sacrifice years of hard work and remarkable gains in the C.I.O. merely to conform to Russian orders.

The C.P. masterminds are now making a supreme effort to win a foothold among colored Americans. They are attempting to outdo and out-promise every pro-Negro organization in the country, including the National Urban League and the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People which Negroes regard as their two most effective champions. Negroes have been jurors on every important case in the past few years involving Communists. Without a single exception they appear to have voted solidly American and anti-Communist. This has been a most bitter blow to the Stalinists as their entire propaganda structure has been based on the proposition that Negroes are America's most exploited and oppressed minority, that they form a separate nation, that the Communists are their own true blue and loyal friends, and that therefore all colored Americans, for reasons of sheer self-defense, must stand by and protect the Communists, another oppressed and persecuted minority.

All party literature is meticulously checked and double-checked to avoid anything likely to offend Negroes. This Summary's monthly breakdown of Communist propaganda for the past year has shown an extraordinary amount of space devoted to news items of Negro interest and concern all out of proportion to the actual percentage of colored members of the C.P.

Everything possible has been done to demonstrate the Party's undying affection for the Negro race, even including the ruthless expulsion of veteran party members and some actual founders of the C.P. on the alleged grounds of "vile racial chauvinism." Vile racial chauvinism in some cases having consisted of nothing more heinous than signing a lease or buying a house with a restrictive covenant clause when the commy signing could not find any other place to live.

The entire June issue of POLITICAL AFFAIRS, from cover to cover, was devoted exclusively to the subject of racial chauvinism including grovelling breast-beating and abject confessions of guilt ala Moscow purge trial style. Another interesting example of such journalistic self-flagellation appeared in the West Coast PEOPLES WORLD which devoted a full page editorial column and two additional columns to a self-abasing confession of "three glaring examples of white chauvinism" in quick succession, and reveals the need for the most critical self-examination of the DAILY PEOPLES WORLD staff in general, and the responsibility of the editorial board in particular." The editors castigated themselves mercilessly for "displaying a fundamental lack of understanding of the national question generally and the Negro question specifically, particularly as these questions present themselves in the day-to-day political struggle." The conscience-stricken editors then go on to admit their crime and pledge to conduct a systematic campaign against chauvinism and "white supremacy" and to heighten the battle for Negro rights on every front.

#### THE NEW YORK TRIAL

The New York trial of eleven Communist leaders is now dragging into its eighth month with the end not yet in sight. Judge Medina looks visibly tired and has complained of the strain under which he has had to work. One juror has been forced out by ill health and strain. Even the boasted iron nerves of some of the commy defense lawyers are starting to fray --they have started, not openly of course, to belittle and criticize each other's conduct of the case. One was overheard at the telephone bitterly complaining that an associate "had bungled again as usual." None is a second or even third rate attorney and like all shysters on the make, each is slyly trying to make a better showing than his colleagues in the best spirit of good old Socialist competition, no doubt with the covert



hope of emerging after the trial as the party's outstanding Clarence Darrow. The defense is now in its fourteenth week and has called only twelve witnesses thus far. Two of these witnesses spent two weeks each on the stand.

City Councilman Benjamin Davis very nearly talked himself into the hoosegow when he insolently contradicted Judge Medina. GREEN flatly contradicted his fellow defendant GATES as to whether or not the C.P. owned and controlled the DAILY WORKER. The shades of Daniel Boone were brought into court when the Communists proudly uncorked defense witness DANIEL BOONE SCHIRMER, a minor C.P. functionary from Boston, to refute some of government witness Philbrick's testimony. Schirmer claims to be a lineal descendant of the famous frontiersman. John and Priscilla Alden also had a distant descendant in court as a Communist witness in the person of one FRANCES HOOD, another C.P. minor functionary, who claimed descent "on both sides" from the famous Pilgrim couple. The defense also tried to ring in, as a witness, former University of Washington professor HERBERT J. PHILLIPS, recently fired as a Communist, but Judge Medina excluded his testimony as immaterial and irrelevant.

To keep things humming outside the comrades have sought to enliven the monotonous trial with some corking good street demonstrations and noisy picket lines. Latest fly-by-night front of the Muscovites was something called, the "VETERANS COMMITTEE TO FREE HENRY WINSTON." WINSTON is a Negro defendant who complained of a serious heart ailment but court appointed physicians could find nothing wrong with him. Executive Secretary of this "veterans' committee" is no other than the celebrated JUSTIN GRAY who writes letters to Judge Medina demanding an interview as "former Assistant Director of Americanism of the American Legion." A week later Robin Hood himself, or at least a commy picket dressed to resemble the famous hero of Sherwood Forest, carried a sign reading "A Connecticut Yankee says there was more justice in King Arthur's court than there is in

Judge Medina's court." "Robin Hood" had come down from Connecticut with fifty other "progressives" to picket the courthouse.

The general classification of Communists in trouble such as, reporting the N.Y. trial of eleven C.P. leaders, deportation proceedings, the Loyalty program and similar defensive material still receives more than double the space devoted to twenty other general classifications of Communist propaganda. Negro and racial items which have generally been in third or fourth place of importance, have now moved up into second place. Analysis of the month's front-page headlines and editorials also reflects this Communist pre-occupation with purely defensive news items, the N.Y. trials making the front-page of the DAILY WORKER no less than ten times. Attacks on the North Atlantic pact, military aid program, Negro lynchings, Taft-Hartley repeal, strikes and other items all rated less than four front page spreads. The F.B.I. came in for a scathing full editorial column attack setting the cue for the recent "Bill of Rights" conference in New York, reported on separately in this Summary.

While POLITICAL AFFAIRS, ECONOMIC NOTES, and other specialized C.P. publications still devote considerable space to the "coming crash", depression items played up a few months ago in the DAILY WORKER are now diminishing again. The Washington POST was lavishly praised by the D.W. for its attack on the Hobbs Bill which the Legion supports. NORMAN CORWIN'S "Citizen of the World," NBC documentary radio show, is warmly endorsed. Considerable space was assigned to urging Negroes to write to President Truman to appoint a colored judge to the Supreme Court bench left vacant by the death of Justice Frank Murphy.

The "lying Jewish Daily Forward", Cardinal Spellman, Senator Robert Taft, Clement Atlee, Chiang Kai Shek, Tito, Judge Medina, Tighe, Woods, Walter Reuther, Phil Murray, and Jackie Robinson all rated very high on the commy unpopularity list. A precious full page of editorial venom

was set aside for a former pet and darling, I.F. Stone of the late PM, because he had the temerity to raise the question of airing the Kutcher case before the recent Bill of Rights Conference in New York.

The Papal decree of excommunication also appears to have worried the Stalinists not a little as Starobin himself handled the "line" in the D.W., always an indication of the degree of importance of the subject under treatment. This chief Communist literary hatchetman opined that the excommunication threat would have the effect of speeding the reformation of the Catholic Church and the formation of national Catholic Churches, "loyal to their own peoples rather than to Rome." The Vatican's action was also "the most desperate in 100 years, as most dangerous to Catholics themselves." Other significant and important quotes from several of Starobin's columns follow without comment or interpretation:

The Communist anti-religious drive in Eastern Europe "is the continuation of the Reformation in the particular conditions of our times."..."The national Communist parties are merely striving for a peaceful adjustment between the Catholic religious institutions and the national interest."..."But we miss the full significance of the Vatican's move if we see it solely as an issue between Catholics and Communists, which it is not, or between Rome and the peoples' democracies. For Catholics are also included in the ban and this raises some fundamental questions."

"Catholic Americans are being arbitrarily regulated by a foreign power, namely the Vatican."...(Starobin neatly refutes the foreign agent tag pinned on the Communists by the counter charge that American Catholics are the foreign agents of the Vatican!) "For what does it mean in our country to say that Catholics cannot have any relations with Communists, cannot read papers edited by Communists, cannot cooperate in any activities in which Communists are active --except on the pain of excommunication. And this excommunication it should be noted can only be lifted in Rome."..."Obviously this strikes at relations between Americans and Americans, not simply Catholics and Communists. For 'Communism' is a label that embraces a great many people and a great many causes these days. If an American Catholic were to obey Atty. General Clark's subversive list he should shut himself out of many important activities and shut himself out of many trade unions."..

"The Holy Father's action, is, first of all, a tremendous piece of cruelty to millions of Catholics who have looked forward to a better life on earth and for this reason have been cooperating with parties and governments which strive for a better life."

"Obviously, the Vatican's ultimatum to millions of Catholics is not only a move of cruelty, but a desperate, last stand of a politically reactionary power, attempting to use religion where all other means have failed against the millions of Catholic faithful. It may cause difficulties for a while in Italy or in some of the peoples' democracies. But it can have only one long range result: the formation of national Catholic churches. Exactly what the Vatican accuses the Communist Parties of desiring to bring about, will in fact be hastened by the Vatican's desperate action."

Starobin cried real crocodile tears over the cruel fate of a poor old Italian grandmother whose sons happened to be Communists because they knew that only the C.P. was fighting to improve their wretched lot. The Papal edict cut her off from her own family and means civil war in a million Italian homes. American Catholics would suffer even more horribly. They can no longer read the DAILY WORKER and many other papers and periodicals which might have Communists on their staffs. "And since they could only do so by consulting their priests, they would lay themselves open to a veritable system of espionage by their religious superiors." (Espionage, as any schoolboy knows, is something utterly loathed and rejected by all true commies.) In conclusion Starobin summed up:

"American Catholics in following the Papal ban will isolate themselves from the rest of the American people and will stimulate anti-Catholic prejudices, something which the Communists have always opposed. It would hurt the most vital interests of American Catholics which Communists have no intention or desire to hurt, and, in fact, defend. And it would hurt all other Americans--dividing them against each other, under the pressure of a new Un-American Activities Committee sitting in Rome."

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#### COMMUNISM IN THE ARTS, EDUCATION, AND CULTURAL FIELDS

A man biting a dog is no longer news, but --in a field where Commies for years have hounded and disemployed anti-Communists and have colonized and proliferated like rabbits, the theatre, radio, and movies, --to learn that a Commy has finally been canned is sensational and incredible news. Even the impossible sometimes happens, as Mr. WILLIAM H. SWEETS ruefully learned the other day. Enough radio listeners wrote in to the sponsor of Sweet-produced shows to get results. And the repercussions are still booming through otherwise sound-proofed studios. Counterattack, the weekly newsletter exposing Communist shenanigans, probably deserves a home-run credit on this one. SWEETS, a well-known radio director, staged

Gangbusters and Counterspy under Pepsi Cola and General Foods sponsorship. According to Counterattack, and Fred Woltman of the N.Y. World-Telegram, Sweets had a rather impressive Communist front record including sponsorship of May Day parades as recently as 1948. C.T. says flatly that Sweets "has never denied being a Communist." Sweets resigned the Presidency of the Radio and Television Directors Guild last fall rather than sign a Taft-Hartley non-Communist affidavit.

According to Variety, SWEETS was forced to resign by his employers, Phillips Lord, due to "sponsor-agency pressure." It was apparently handled in such a manner that Mr. Sweets has no legal recourse, showing at least a vast improvement on the bumbling fiasco that the Hollywood producers went through in attempting to eliminate the "ten unfriendly witnesses" from the movie industry. But if Mr. SWEETS has no apparent legal redress, the Commies more than made up for it by the speed with which they struck back. The lightning speed with which Communists and fellow travellers react and retaliate to anything menacing them might well be studied and emulated by their victims, the non-Communists. The VOICE OF FREEDOM COMMITTEE, which boasts of 2,000 radio monitors, who promptly and continuously protest to radio stations, against all anti-Communist programs, speakers and commentators, quickly called an emergency meeting at the Hotel Abbey in New York. MILLARD LAMPELL was chairman. Mr. SWEETS was guest speaker of honor.

And who do you suppose was the Big Bad Wolf? --why no other than the little old American Legion. Legionnaires had been writing oh such awful nasty letters to his sponsors. PAUL MANN, the actor, HESTER SONDEGAARD, wife of HUGH DELACEY, CHARLES COLLINS, of the A.F.L. Hotel and Restaurant Union (expelled last year as a Communist from the A.F.L. Central Trades and Labor Council), JOHN T. MCMANUS, and EVERETT SLOAN also spoke at the Hotel Abbey meeting. Messages of condolence and

sympathy were read from PETER LYON and NORMAN CORWIN.

The Commies, for once apparently panicked out of using their brains, and coming up with a really ingenious and clever alibi for the anti-Communist "hysteria" and "witch-hunting", fell back on the Stone Age amalgam that it was "no accident" that an anti-Communist drive and blacklist in radio came into existence just as the actors and others were negotiating new contracts with the employers. Yessir—nothing but a dirty old union-busting scheme. Actually, of course, there is no blacklist and never has been. And as any child knows, new contracts are constantly being opened or being negotiated in such a complex and vast industry as radio broadcasting.

The radio industry, which in sheer self-protection and as a responsible media of public entertainment and information, years ago should have set up some method of screening out Communists and other foreign agents. Instead it tolerantly looked the other way when notorious Commies began infiltrating the field on the broad principle that they were only interested in art and talent and that a "man's political beliefs" were no concern of theirs. The Commies and their numerous stooges and sympathizers naturally swarmed into this lush and well-paying field to a point where it became notorious that militant anti-Communists had the very devil of a time finding work. The Commies had set up their own blacklist years ago. And it worked.

The RADIO AND TELEVISION DIRECTORS GUILD is conducting a full scale "investigation" into the SWEETS affair. It passed a resolution:

"Whereas, it is now, always has been and always will be a fundamental precept of the R.T.D.G. that a man's talent and ability shall be the sole criteria by which he is judged for employment, the RTDG unequivocally condemns the existence and use of blacklists in the radio-television industry."

The Commies, who for years blackballed and blacklisted good Americans out of radio work, played it cute. Actors already selected and practically

hired ~~and~~ ~~allegedly~~ told they were sorry but they were too old, or too young, their voice too deep, or too high or some other frivolous pretext -- never that the long arm of Communist vengeance had tapped them. This, of course, works both ways. Legionnaires in writing letters of protest against Commies on radio programs SHOULD NEVER CALL THEM SUBVERSIVES OR COMMUNISTS. Some stupid sponsor or not so stupid recipient of the letter may turn it over to the Commy in question and you might have a McCullough case on your hands. Simply write in that as a user of the sponsor's goods or services you are withholding your patronage until So-and-So whom you don't like is taken off the sponsored program. Period! Nothing else. That is enough.

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#### N. E. A. BANS COMMIES

The teachers of the country say there is no place for Communists either in the schools of the United States or in their large organization, the National Education Association. This action was taken in the annual Convention of the N.E.A., held in Boston, early in July. It came about on the adoption of the report of the N.E.A.'s Policy Commission, which declared in part that, "Members of the Communist Party of the United States should not be employed as teachers." The report was attacked by Herbert J. Phillips, one of the three teachers discharged from the University of Washington for Communist party membership, and by Rose Russell, Legislative Representative from New York City Teachers Union. Of some 3,000 delegates, only five stood to oppose the adoption of the report. Phillips--believe it or not--declared that the Communist party did not advocate overthrow of our form of government. Rose Russell said that the report was ill-conceived, ill-timed, and ill-omened, that a teacher should be hired because of his ability to teach young people to think and not because of his "political" beliefs.

Dr. John H. Norton, of Columbia University, Chairman of the Commission, which included such notables as General Eisenhower, President Conant of



Harvard, in defending his report, returned a blistering attack on the intent and tactics of communism and upon the record of Mrs. Rose Russell, herself. The spontaneous ovation which he received after his reply was scant consolation for the half-dozen stalwarts who tried to block the whole proceeding.

In its final session, the N.E.A., by resolution denied membership in its organization to Communist party members.

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#### COMMIE KITS FOR KIDDIES

The Communist dominated United Electrical, Radio, and Machine Workers of America have hit on a smart move for peddling their pink line to school children, utilizing the school teachers' chronic cry for needed materials. They have prepared "U.E. Teachers' Kits" and are distributing thousands of them to the schools of the country.

The "kit" contains about 20 pieces of printed matter, ranging from single sheets to a 100-page book entitled "UE Guide to Political Action." This printed matter is more impressive in its make-up, art work, and typography than in its content.

Included in the "kit" are several radio broadcasts delivered over the ABC Network by UE's radio commentator, Arthur Gaeth. These broadcasts adhere faithfully to the Communist Party "line."

UE locals have distributed the "kit" to the school teachers of Los Angeles, Pittsburgh, Beverly (Mass.), Cincinnati, Philadelphia, and New York City.

In Dayton, Ohio, UE Local 754 mailed the "kit" to the teachers of every school and college in the city. Reports state that the material in the "kits" has been used in school debates, and there have been requests for the UERAWA to send speakers to school classes and other meetings.

UE Local 633 in Warren, Pa., sent the "kits" to the teachers of all the schools in that neighborhood, and distributed them to P.T.A. meetings as well.

The propaganda in the "UE Teachers' Kits" includes, among other things, the following items:

- I Lengthy diatribes against the present Greek government and support of the Greek Communist guerillas.
- II Damnation of Chiang Kai-shek and inferential support for the Chinese Communists.
- III Denunciation of the North Atlantic Pact.
- IV Denunciation of the so-called Marshall Plan.
  - A. Incessant praise of the USSR.
  - B. Praise of the Hungarian Communist Government for its arrest and conviction of Josef Cardinal Mindszenty.
- V Attacks on capitalism.
- VI Attacks on the American press.
- VII Attacks on the Un-American Activities Committee and all other investigations of Communism.

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APPENDIX I, a report on the BILL OF RIGHTS CONFERENCE, which was held at New York, July 16-17, 1949, follows. The list of sponsors for the Conference is printed on separate sheets for your convenience if you care to post them on Legion bulletin boards.

## REPORT ON BILL OF RIGHTS CONFERENCE

HELD AT

NEW YORK, July 16-17, 1949

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The BILL OF RIGHTS CONFERENCE held in the Henry Hudson Hotel, New York, on July 16 and 17, 1949, was the second largest Communist-inspired propaganda show put on this year and one of the most important. The CIVIL RIGHTS CONGRESS, cited by the Attorney General as subversive, supplied the initiating sponsorship. Its main purpose was to organize and develop throughout the vast system of Communist front and satellite organizations a great propaganda drive against the Federal Bureau of Investigation. The opening gambits in this drive were made in the DAILY WORKER several months before as already reported in the July issue of this Summary.

Usually Communists, who are always far-sighted, long-range planners, set up their elaborate civil rights and "protect the Constitution" defense organizations long before they actually plan to uncork some new Commy shenanigans. Knowing full well that their plotted subversive activities are apt to bring a storm of public reaction and demands for legal restrictive curbs on Communist activities; the Stalinists quite logically collect money and set up defenses in advance. Those who then demand governmental action against the Communists find themselves faced with solid walls of already mobilized fellow travellers, dupes, dopes, and others including some really big names and important people who profess to be genuinely concerned over covert assaults upon basic American freedoms. In other words, Communists always carefully prepare a storm cellar before kicking up a tornado of aroused opposition to some particularly brazen and subversive activity.

Apparently Communists fear that their present storm cellars are not deep enough and big enough for the anticipated hurricane of public wrath once their true quisling character is exposed by any future worsening of American-Soviet relations. The passage of the Ober Act, various Congressional and state legislative investigations, and the New York indictment of eleven top party leaders have also given the Stalinists a bad case of jitters. The New York conference was also a belated counter-attack on the F.B.I. which during the past year had given the Muscovites more than a little concern and worry.

Bolstering the wavering morale of shaky fellow travellers, against the rigors of a bitter cold winter of public disfavor ahead, was another important subsidiary consideration. Quite a few veteran and enthusiastic sympathizers and supporters developed very bad cases of frost-bitten feet as a result of the unfavorable publicity which the Waldorf-Astoria CULTURAL AND SCIENTIFIC CONFERENCE FOR WORLD PEACE aroused. Nearly every speaker harped on the theme of "standing together", "fighting back" and not being afraid.

Even the most cursory and inexperienced examination of the list of sponsors could leave very little doubt that this latest propaganda show was strictly and narrowly Moscow-inspired. While plenty of admitted and known Communists could be selected at random from the sponsor list, it would require a Palomar observatory telescope to locate even a single Socialist, Trotskyite, or other anti-Communist radical. Although some 640 innocents, dupes, not so innocent seasoned fellow travellers and others lent their names to this latest Stalinist circus, not a single smart radical or really sophisticated liberal fell in the Stalinist trap. This, more than any other single factor, gave the whole shabby show away.

Any lingering doubts as to the true political coloration of this latest Stalinist fake were thoroughly dispelled by the Draft Program which

listed no less than four top C.P. leaders present on trial in New York as principal speakers: BENJAMIN DAVIS, JR., JOHN GATES, ROBERT THOMPSON, and IRVING POTASH. They were reinforced by at least a dozen other well-known Communist speakers. The literature tables inside the hall were stacked high with strictly orthodox C.P. and satellite organization printed trash — not a leaflet from a single non-Stalinist organization. With three possible exceptions, all of the ninety-two alleged "labor leaders", who either sponsored the conference or attended its meetings, came from notorious C.P. controlled unions.

Like Abou ben Adhem, college professors as usual led all the rest of the sponsors with a solid delegation of 127 "educators." Ninety-two clergymen and ninety-two labor leaders photo-finished for place honors, with fifty-three Negro leaders, forty-seven writers, and thirty-seven lawyers bringing up the rear. Artists, actors, dancers, band leaders, scientists, and miscellaneous intellectual riff-raff made up the rest of the 640 sponsors. Harvard, Columbia, and the University of Chicago were the three educational institutions sending the heaviest academic representations.

The various general meetings and panel sessions followed the stereotyped, cut and dried procedure for such Stalinist-manipulated hootenannies. The "Rev." Jack McMichael delivered the invocation. Huge, crude crayon drawings of Lincoln, Jefferson, Stephen Douglas, and Franklin D. Roosevelt decorated the backdrop. About 650 delegates packed the small dining room hall in the sweltering heat. HOWARD FAST sauntered in later in the afternoon and conferred great honor upon the research specialist of the National Americanism Commission by taking a seat directly next to the thrilled Legionnaire. FAST spent much of a bored hour leisurely perusing the Trotskyite MILITANT which impudent Trotskyites handed out at the door as fast as the irate Stalinists snatched them from their hands and tore them to pieces. PAUL KERN, former President of the Civil Service Commission of New York City, acted as Chairman.

A slight note of dissonance was sounded early in the opening session by a brash Trotskyite popping up and demanding the floor to present a resolution on the Kutcher case, the Minneapolis trials of eighteen Trotskyites seven or eight years ago under the same Smith Act under which the eleven Stalinists are being tried, and related matters of mutual interest and defense. Every Stalinist straightened in his chair and betrayed his real ideological colors by bristling up like aroused alley tomcats at the sound of danger. However, they displayed admirable Bolshevik discipline by refraining from their usual hissing and booing. The air was tense as KERN blandly referred the Trotskyite and his resolution to the Main Resolutions Committee meeting that evening as the agenda was already planned for the day, the speakers ready, and the meeting far behind schedule.

This resolution was viciously attacked later that evening by PAUL ROBESON who was ably assisted by some unidentified character who got up and sobbed that she had lost her only son in Europe because of the sinister hook-up between the Trotskyites and Hitler. That turned the trick and the Trotskyite resolution was buried under a snowslide of loud Commy "NOES!" Kern, Rogge, Thomas Emerson, and a few other non-party members put up a token fight for the resolution but were very graceful losers.

J. FINLEY WILSON, Grand Exalted Ruler of the colored Elks, and CLIFFORD DURR, former F.C.C. Commissioner, scheduled to speak, were kept away by illness. Pinch-hitters read their speeches. JOSEPH FORER, of the NATIONAL LAWYERS GUILD, who has often appeared as counsel for suspected Communist spies and others, read DURR'S speech. DURR charged that the "F.B.I. commits many more Federal crimes than it ever detects." It is nothing but a "super-snooping agency collecting gossip and encouraging snooping." DURR said that "The People must demand a full investigation of the F.B.I."

O. J. ROGGE was the next speaker and began by praising the F.B.I. "as the best investigative organization in the world" but he objected strongly to its alleged invasion of the field of human thought and basic American freedoms. It was all the fault of the "monopoly-cartel crowd who were rushing headlong down the road to fascism, American style." ROGGE claimed that all but twelve of the 130 postal employees allegedly fired under the Loyalty program were Jewish or Negroes. The government in fact "had out-Diesed the old Dies Committee." He lauded ROSE RUSSELL of the commy-infested N.Y. Teachers Union for her lone-handed fight against the Feinberg Law. However, he assured his rapt listeners the American people were awakening and rising to defend themselves. They would defeat the Mundt-Nixon Bill and the Maryland Ober Act as they had already defeated and beaten back similar legislation in California, Ohio, Indiana, Illinois, and elsewhere. ROGGE was easily the most dynamic and forceful speaker of the conference.

Practically every speaker attacked the F.B.I. and the Federal government's loyalty check-up. Many used the disclosures in the Coplon case as proof positive of the utter worthlessness of unevaluated F.B.I. reports.

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and a Milly Randolph, colored teacher from Trenton, N.J.

Mrs. MODJESKA SILKINS, Republican county leader from Columbia, South Carolina, was chairman of Panel One, "Our Basic Freedoms." Panel #2, "Congress shall make no law abridging freedom" was chaired by C. B. "Beanie" BALDWIN of the Progressive Party. ABRAM FLAXER, who has never denied being a Communist, was Chairman of Panel #3, "Thought Control by

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TO :

MR. CLEGG

DATE: September 13, 1949

FROM :

MR. CLEGG

SUBJECT:

There is attached hereto a number of publications which were distributed in behalf of Mr. KARL BAARSLAG, representative of the American Legion who, following the talk by Supervisor W. C. SULLIVAN, made a talk on Communism.

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Mr. Frederick A. Wand  
Past Commander  
Onarga Legion Post Number 351  
The American Legion  
1737 Howard Street  
Chicago 23, Illinois

Dear Mr. Wand:

It was a real pleasure to receive your kind letter of September 3, 1949, enclosing copies of two resolutions adopted at the Philadelphia Convention of The American Legion.

I have read with deepest appreciation the resolution adopted by The American Legion with respect to the accomplishments of the FBI, its personnel, and my administration of its activities. You may be sure that I am most grateful for the honor thus conferred.

I know that the wholehearted assistance and cooperation furnished to this Bureau by members and officials of The American Legion have always been motivated by a desire to preserve the welfare of our Nation. It is particularly encouraging, therefore, to receive from your organization expressions of confidence and support in the FBI as outlined in the resolution adopted by your National Convention.

I wish to express to you my sincere thanks for the friendly interest which you have exhibited so consistently and I hope that you will be able to visit the FBI when you are in Washington during November.

Sincerely yours,

- Mr. Tolson
- Mr. Clegg
- Mr. Glavin
- Mr. Ladd
- Mr. Nichols
- Mr. Rosen
- Mr. Tracy
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*American Legion-National*

Mr. J. Edgar Hoover, Director  
Federal Bureau of Investigation  
United States Department of Justice  
Washington, 25, D. C.

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Dear Mr. Hoover:

I am inclosing copy of Legion Resolution commending your work and the Federal Bureau of Investigation. The Legion really gave you the works. There is not another individual in Washington who can ever hope to receive such a commendation from the Legion.

Am inclosing Harry Bridges Resolution...what is left of it. Copy inclosed is the final form adopted at Philadelphia Convention. Will attempt to find out just what happened. Am planning on visiting Washington early in November and should have more information at that time.

Our Illinois Delegation had a man go haywire. Am certainly glad that his Committee did not handle the F.B.I. Resolution. In this instance he served as Chairman of a Committee and successfully defeated a Resolution presented at Philadelphia by the Department of Illinois. Am taking this up with the little fellows who had to remain at home. They will know how to handle the situation.

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Sincerely yours,

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THE AMERICAN LEGION

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Thirty-first National Convention August 29, 30, 31 September 1, 1949  
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

RESOLUTION to commend J. Edgar Hoover and Federal Bureau of Investigation.  
Resolutions Nos. 281 (Kansas), 304 (Ohio) and 384 (Illinois)  
to be consolidated with Resolution No. 135 (Montana) which  
reads as follows:

WHEREAS, The American Legion, assembled for its 31st Annual Convention, has been for the past twenty years cognizant and fully aware of the inherent dangers of Communism, Nazism and Fascism,

WHEREAS, Recent disclosures in the press of the nation has awakened the public to the danger of Communist infiltration into important positions in our national government and

WHEREAS, The paramount and first line of defense against the Communist menace has been and still is the Federal Bureau of Investigation, its entire personnel, directed and led by J. Edgar Hoover; and

WHEREAS, The American Legion has ever been in the forefront of the fight to support and maintain the Federal Bureau of Investigation that it might properly and adequately function in maintaining our national security, and

WHEREAS, The American Legion is fully cognizant of recent attempts to discredit the Federal Bureau of Investigation, and

WHEREAS, All delegates are aware of and appreciative of, as veterans, the honesty, diligence, perseverance and integrity of the Director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, J. Edgar Hoover, and we hereby renew our pledge of continued support of the Federal Bureau of Investigation and will cooperate in every manner possible in every manner possible in maintaining its str intact to preserve the safety and liberty of this nation.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, By the American Legion in Convention assembled in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, August 28, 30 and September 1, 1949, that without qualification or reserve, we do hereby commend, endorse and declare our absolute confidence in the Federal Bureau of Investigation and specifically in its Director J. Edgar Hoover, for the magnificent work performed by F.B.I. in combating the criminal and traitorous elements endan our national security.

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, THAT A COPY OF THIS RESOLUTION  
SUITABLY ENGROSSED AND TRANSMITTED TO DIRECTOR J. EDGAR HOOVER

Adopted by the Thirty-first Annual Convention of The American Legion  
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania August 29, 30, 31, September 1, 1949

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Mr. W. C. "Tom" Sawyer  
Director  
National Americanism Commission  
The American Legion  
Indianapolis, Indiana

Dear Mr. Sawyer:

I wish to express my deepest appreciation for the sentiments conveyed in your letter of September 23 and for the handsomely embossed copy of the Resolution adopted by the National Convention of The American Legion at Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, during August and September, 1949.

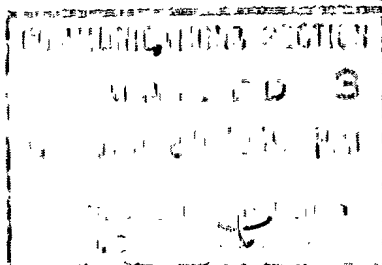
The honor thus conferred upon me by The American Legion is a source of particular gratification to me, for I have treasured the whole-hearted cooperation furnished to the FBI by the officials and general membership of your organization.

While I am not inclined to minimize the difficulties presented by unwarranted attacks upon the FBI in discharging its obligations with respect to the internal security of our country, I do feel that such attacks can be expected to have little success so long as this Bureau is privileged to have support and confidence such as that given so freely in the past by The American Legion.

My associates and I are sincerely grateful for the action taken by the Philadelphia Convention in voicing approval of our efforts, and it is our hope that the activities of the FBI will always be deserving of your complete approbation.

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover



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Honorable J. Edgar Hoover, Director  
Federal Bureau of Investigation  
United States Department of Justice  
Washington 25, D. C.

My dear Mr. Hoover:

In order that you may have some suitable and tangible evidence of the high regard and esteem in which you and the Federal Bureau of Investigation are held by The American Legion, we enclose herewith an embossed copy of a resolution adopted by the National Convention of The American Legion held in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, earlier this month.

I think it is appropriate to add further that the Americanism Commission is well aware of the attacks which are being made on the Federal Bureau of Investigation for its very fine and aggressive work in detecting subversive elements in this country. We recognize the handicaps under which you are working and hope to promote programs and activities which will furnish tangible support to the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

Sincerely,

*Tom Sawyer*

W. C. "TOM" SAWYER, Director  
National Americanism Commission

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RESOLVED, That a copy of this resolution be suitably engrossed and transmitted to Director J. Edgar Hoover.

It is hereby certified that the foregoing resolution was unanimously adopted at the Thirty-first Annual National Convention of The American Legion, held in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, August twenty-ninth, thirtieth, thirty-first, and September first, nineteen hundred and forty-nine.

/s/ Perry Brown  
Perry Brown, National Commander

ATTEST:

/s/ Henry H. Dudley  
Henry H. Dudley, National Adjutant

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October 5, 1949

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Mrs. Hubert A. Goode  
American Legion Auxiliary  
National Headquarters  
777 North Meridian Street  
Indianapolis 7, Indiana

Dear Mrs. Goode: 9

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Special Agent [redacted] has referred to me your very kind letter of September 30, 1949. I want you to know that I am most pleased that the members of the American Legion Auxiliary's Girls Nation enjoyed their tour of our facilities.

It is always gratifying to know that the work of this Bureau is well-received and I hope we will always merit your support.

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

cc - Indianapolis

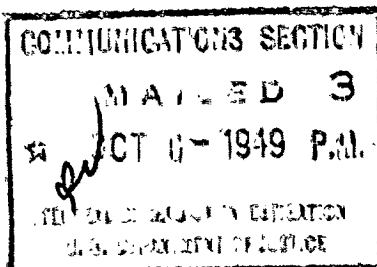
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Past NATIONAL PRESIDENT

September 30, 1949

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Dear [Redacted]

I wish to thank you for the important contribution you made to the program of the American Legion Auxiliary's Girls Nation. The girls all were most interested in the tour. It made a very strong impression upon their minds.

The American Legion Auxiliary is very grateful to you for your help and interest.

Sincerely,

*Handwritten signature: Laura Goode*

MRS. HUBERT A. GOODE  
Past National President

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## Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Mr. D. M. Ladd

DATE: October 24, 1949

FROM : L. R. Pennington

SUBJECT: Proposed Conference Initiated by American Legion for Nationwide Conference of Industrialists, Professional Men, Labor Leaders, Religious Leaders, Educators, Farmers, Veterans, and other leaders, in Chicago or New York.

Mr. Tolson \_\_\_\_\_  
 Mr. Clegg \_\_\_\_\_  
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 Miss Gandy \_\_\_\_\_

Under date of October 7, 1949, George Craig, National Commander of the American Legion, sent the following wire to some 37 outstanding national organizations, which read as follows:

"Recent developments clearly indicate the need of the hour is not apprehension but the utilization of the soundest thinking possible to produce an atmosphere of harmony that will lead to better understanding among our people. The American Legion contemplates the calling of a nation-wide conference of industrialists, professional men, labor leaders, religious leaders, educators, farmers, veterans and other leaders from all walks of American life, in Chicago or New York, for the purpose of thoroughly analyzing our present situation; to assist in strengthening and guiding the hands of those charged with the responsibility of safeguarding the integrity of our government and protecting the lives of our people; and to initiate and implement an all-out campaign that will coordinate and make effective the activities of all groups, enlisting every man and woman, and the youth of the nation to combat the fifth column tactics of Communism and awaken the people from their apathy toward subversive influences. In the belief that such a conference is both timely and essential, we should welcome by return wire or letter your thoughts on this vital project."

Responses to this wire have been predominantly favorable, and the National Commander is now giving attention to the appropriate time and place to hold the general meeting which he suggests, and to the objectives which can reasonably be reached through such a conference.

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Membership Subscription cards for 1950 in National Headquarters on October 20 totaled 785,304, same date a year ago 401,809 - GAIN of 383,495. Cash receipts for 1950 membership is \$763,641.00, compared with \$170,465.00 - GAIN \$593,176.00. 1949 cash receipts as of October 20, \$2,983,967.00, and magazine subscription cards, 2,980,782.

William E. Sayer, Indiana Department Adjutant since 1933, has re-signed to accept appointment as Assistant National Adjutant. He will replace Joe Rabinovich, who will assume duties in Emblem Sales as Director of buying, sales promotion and advertising.

Rev. Father George F. Kettell, D. D., 1929-1930 National Chaplain, was killed October 19 as his automobile hit the wall of a building in Rochester, New York, his home. He was returning from a visit to another priest, and swerved his car to avoid a speeding automobile. He was dead when help reached him. The driver of the other car sped from the accident scene. Funeral services, October 22 in Holy Sepulcher Cemetery in Rochester, from the Old St. Mary's Church of which he had been pastor. National Chaplain Rev. Father Edward J. Carney will represent the national organization at the funeral services.

Glen R. Hillis, donor of the American Legion Color Guard trophy which bears his name, presented the trophy to the National Championship Color Guard from his own post, the James DeArmond Colliday Post #6, Kokomo, Indiana. Speaking honors at a gala dinner honoring the winning color guard were shared by Major General William E. Kepner, Commandant of Eglin Field, USAF, and the two surviving members of the Post's original color guard, Maurice Tull and Hillis.

Department of Washington advises of change of location of Area "E" Child Welfare Conference to be held in Seattle, December 1 to 3. Meetings will be held at the Hotel Roosevelt.

David F. Perry, Commander of Captain Edgar Dale Post #81, El Dorado, Kansas, was installed in office recently by his father, Past Post Commander Frank Perry.

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The George Post #157, Harrisburg, Ill. has performed an outstanding service to their county committee in behalf of the National Foundation for Prevention of Infantile Paralysis. Receptacles were placed at street and highway intersections and manned by uniformed post members -- with the slogan, "Pitch for Polio", on large signs to identify the "Crusade". Half of the entire county quota was raised in this manner.

Mrs. Verna Grimm, Librarian at National Headquarters, presently serving as a member of Board of Directors of Indiana Library Association, is taking a leading part in their annual conference, October 20 to 22.

Judges to determine the most outstanding participation, by posts, in the program of repatriation of World War II dead have been named. The committee is made up of Past National Commander Edward N. Scheiberling (New York), Chairman; Rev. Fr. Edward J. Carney (Massachusetts), National Chaplain; and National Historian Monte C. Sandlin (Alabama). Following official end of the program early in 1950, submissions will be made by posts. Trophy to be awarded is the "Mancel Talcott Trophy". Talcott is long-time Chairman of National Graves Registration and Memorial Committee.

The seven fighting Marchiondo Brothers of World War II fame, all overseas combat veterans, have paid their 1950 American Legion dues in the Vaughan-Moore-Buhr Post No. 5, Raton, New Mexico.

North Carolina Commissioner of Public Welfare has sent a copy of publication, "Charter for Children of North Carolina", with information that The American Legion there played an important role in preparing statement on rights of children.

Kenneth Fox and Henry Hudson Fox, Jr., brothers, are Commanders of the two largest American Legion Posts in Kansas City, Missouri. Henry heads Post #341 and Kenneth, Post #386. Their father is also a Legionnaire.

A memorandum has been issued calling attention to the 1950 National Post History Contest and asking the cooperation of all Department officials in making it a success. Entries must be at National Headquarters by July 3, 1950, and must cover the history of the post from its beginning to January 1, 1950. The contest is designed for two types of histories: (1) histories of posts 7 years old or older, and (2) posts not over 6 years old. Substantial cash awards and suitable citations will be presented.

Betty and Bob Burns, husband and wife, command the Hyder-Harlow #119 Unit and Post at Elma, Washington.

NOT. FROM LEGISLATIVE DIVISION

Congress passed and sent to the President The American Legion Bill, S. 2115, to authorize payments by the Veterans Administrator on purchase of automobiles or other conveyances by certain disabled veterans of World War I and II. The bill would provide automobiles for World War I and World War II veterans with service-connected loss or loss of use of one or both arms, one or both legs, or the sight of both eyes.

Congress passed and sent to the President The American Legion Bill, H. R. 6301, to correct a discrepancy in The American Legion Omnibus Benefit Bill, H. R. 5598 (now Public Law 339). Public Law 339 did not provide for increasing compensation for approximately 150,000 World War I veterans being compensated under Public Law 141 - 73rd Congress. H. R. 6301 corrects this discrepancy.

By vote of 36 to 30, the Senate Recommitted to its Judiciary Committee H. R. 4567, liberalizing the Displaced Persons Law. In accordance with Resolution 554 of our Philadelphia National Convention, the National Legislative Commission opposed this bill.

The Senate passed The American Legion Bill, S. J. Res. 133, authorizing the return to Mexico of the flags, standards, colors and emblems that were captured by the United States in the Mexican War. This recommendation was contained in Resolution 72, adopted by the May, 1949 meeting of the National Executive Committee.

The House Committee on Post Office and Civil Service favorably reported H. R. 2945, to readjust postal rates. A similar bill, S. 1103, had been reported by the Senate. Neither bill provides increase in postage rates for The American Legion Magazine. As originally introduced, the cost of mailing our magazine would have been increased approximately \$700,000.

The House Veterans' Affairs Committee favorably reported the Senate approved bill, S. 2596, relating to education or training of veterans under Title II of the Servicemen's Readjustment Act.

The President signed The American Legion supported bill, H.R. 6022, increasing the rates of compensation of certain employees of the Department of Medicine and Surgery of the Veterans Administration (Public Law 349).

The President signed The American Legion supported bill, H.R. 5007, to provide increased pay, allowances and physical disability retirement for members of the uniformed services (Public Law 351).

Congress approved and sent to the President H. R. 4146, National Military Appropriations for 1950, providing \$15,585,863.498. As finally passed, the bill provided a 58 group Air Force.



National (Old) Welfare Commission Chairman, David Addy, and Associate Director Randel Shake were speakers at the second annual Conference of Physicians and Schools, October 14, at Highland Park, Illinois, on invitation of the American Medical Association.

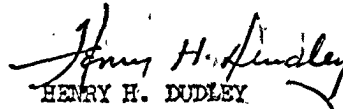
Attention Legion Service Officers: It has just been reported that in connection with the provisions of Public 351, Congress approved October 12, called "The Career Compensation Act of 1949", the Army has called upon the VA to instruct about 150 officers in the application of the 1945 schedule for rating disabilities. Also, an extra supply of several hundred schedules is being made available to the Army. Service Officers who have been engaged in claims development and ratings for many years will wonder how any group of people will be able to acquire sufficient knowledge in a brief period of instruction to equitably apply the schedule to the kind of claims that will be involved. It would not be surprising if The American Legion is called upon from time to time in those localities where there are Army installations.

Fine support and encouragement are being extended to National Commander George N. Craig from the 38 national organizations to which he sent wires proposing an "All American Conference". Based on replies the conference will be arranged to discuss subversive elements in the United States and to plan a coordinated program aimed at dispelling the current apathy toward the destructive programs of the subversives.

A special memorandum has been dispatched to all Department Service Officers and Rehabilitation Directors seeking information on how best the Rehabilitation Commission might help and fortify the role of Post Service Officers. The Commission will welcome all suggestions and recommendations from experienced Service Officers.

Many Legionnaires are writing letters of appreciation and commendation to Judge Harold R. Medina and to Prosecuting Attorney John F. X. McGohey for their patient and masterful conduct in the recent trial of the 12 Communists. Letters are also being directed to J. Howard McGrath, Attorney General, and to Supreme Court Justice Tom Clark (former Attorney General) for their assistance in bringing the trial to its successful conclusion.

Material contained in this letter is provided for the information and use of key National and Department officials of The American Legion. Items marked with an asterisk (\*) are confidential and not to be re-published. Much of the material contained herein will be subjects for more complete bulletins, memorandums or press releases.

  
HENRY H. DUDLEY  
National Adjutant

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## EXPOSING THE COMMUNIST CONSPIRACY



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Biddle and Clark as subversive.)

Signer of open letter to abolish the House Un-American Activities  
Committee, page 7, Daily Worker, Jan. 3, 1949.

Contributor of article to Soviet Russia Today, July 1949. (Cited  
by the House Un-American Activities Committee as a C.P. front)

Signer of an open letter to Gov. Dewey of New York protesting the  
imprisonment on perjury charges of communist MORRIS SCHAPPES,  
(New York Times, Oct. 9, 1944)

Signer of COMMITTEE OF 1000 statement denouncing the Mundt Sub-  
versive Activities control bill. (Daily Worker, page 2, Apr.  
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held in New York, Mar. 25-27, 1949 under sponsorship of the NAT.  
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NATIONAL NON-PARTISAN COMMITTEE TO DEFEND THE RIGHTS OF THE 12 COMMUNIST

LEADERS. Communist faith in the stupidity of Americans and their persistence

CORRECTION. The August issue of the Summary on page 8 listed a  
Rev. GEORGE E. PAINE as a sort of fellow traveller's fellow traveller  
visiting Czechoslovakia with Messrs. JEROME DAVIS, HENRY PRATT FAIRCHILD,  
and BENJAMIN MAYS to inquire into Catholic-Communist difficulties in that  
country. The Summary stated nothing is known as to the Rev. Paine. The  
following information on the Rev. GEORGE L. PAINE of Cambridge, Mass. was  
overlooked due to a newspaper error in transmitting the Reverend's middle  
initial as E. instead of L. A Rev. GEORGE L. PAINE according to information  
available in Washington has in the past been affiliated with or active in  
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### THE SPOTLIGHT

COMMUNITY CINEMA CORPORATION. The Daily Worker of September 26 tips off what may develop into a very important distribution set-up for Soviet propaganda films in this country. "A new experiment in reaching untapped sections of the country with foreign films is going to be tried in the Fall by a new group called COMMUNITY CINEMA CORP.", states this official mouth-piece of the Communists. "The plan is to penetrate small and medium sized towns where no permanent 'art' theatres operate and to show pictures on a share-the-profit basis with civic organizations." The mere fact that the Daily Worker first advertises and boosts COMMUNITY CINEMA CORP. is all that any alert American will need to know in advising his local theatre owners and civic organizations in a friendly and helpful manner against such "penetration." Legion, fraternal, civic, service, and other organizations engaging outside talent, movies, lecturers, entertainers, etc., would be well advised always to remember the latter Business Bureau warning:

~~and forgotten is truly fearful and wonder to behold.~~ With phony "peace conferences" sprouting like mushrooms all over the map, one wonders how the tireless zealots of Moscow find the time to create all these new fronts to say nothing of attending them. Latest arrival on the C.P. front stage is the long-jointed outfit mentioned above. The Daily Worker dead-panned that this newest Stalinist side-show was "launched by public figures of varied political and religious beliefs who feel that the defense of the twelve Communists on trial in New York cannot be left solely to those who also defend the C.P.'s program." Utter Communist contempt for the intelligence of the dupes and dopes they seek to ensnare and befuddle with this one is strikingly betrayed by the stereotyped and typical C.P. front character of the sponsors and officers. PAUL ROBESON and Judge NORVAL K. HARRIS of Sullivan, Indiana, are vice chairmen. HOWARD FAST is treasurer. Sponsors

conquest of China and the subversion of much of southeast Asia, so is the present hullabaloo about Tito nothing more than a diversionary sideshow to mask coming Soviet moves in the Near East, Middle East, or Far East. American policy with respect to western Europe has now firmed up to a point where even Molotov and Vishinsky fully understand it. The complete lack of any similar policy on the part of the United States with respect to Asia naturally has given Soviet schemers their cue that America is not seriously interested or concerned over what happens in those areas. As part of the Berlin blockade sideshow Russia now apparently has quietly picked up and "consolidated" its iron grip on Manchuria.

This, of course, does not argue that Stalin has abandoned or will slacken his plans to crush and eliminate Tito. The menace of spreading Titoism to other satellites and satraps is a very real and serious one to the conspirators in the Kremlin. Every artifice and device in the trained revolutionary's bag of tricks from simple assassination to the creation of an entire new Fascist regime to replace the one wiped out by Tito's secret police last year, will naturally be attempted in order speedily to liquidate the Tito mutiny. But with many other muddied pools in which to fish for trouble and many other pieces of unprotected real estate lying around loose, it is rather unlikely that the Soviets will concentrate their undivided attention to Marshal Tito's "murderous clique of fascist beasts" as a recent issue of "For A Lasting Peace" called Tito and company.

It is also significant in this blood thirsty "war to the death" between irreconcilable enemies that Tito has not made the slightest gesture of friendship toward the West. Archbishop Stepinac is still in prison. Property is being confiscated on an increasing Socialist scale and Yugoslav Communists continue in every respect to carry out Russian Bolshevik policies in communizing their unhappy country. Nor has Tito indicated any remorse for

and other officials of the N.N.P.C.D.R. 12 C.L. include such familiar old faces as:

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and 135 others. The complete list of sponsors will be appended to the October issue of the Summary. Those still having any lingering doubts as to the legitimacy of the N.N.P.C.D.R. 12 C.L. need only to ascertain its New York address — 23 W. 26th Street, headquarters of the CIVIL RIGHTS CONGRESS, legal arm of the Communist Party and also housing other C.P. fronts. The 23 skidoo is finally and conclusively tagged on this outfit by its Executive Director — no other than HAROLD CHRISTOFFEL whose conviction of perjury before a Congressional committee that he was not a Communist was recently voided by the U.S. Supreme Court on a technicality that no quorum was present.

THE COMMUNIST FRONT

The massing of five or more Soviet armored divisions on the Yugoslavian border last month while creating a war scare in London and other European capitals certainly did not upset the Yugoslavs very much. Yugoslav soldiers continued their crop-harvesting, roadbuilding, and other non-military work aimed at strengthening the country's economy. Likewise the open convocation of another Cominform session in nearby Bulgaria lasting three days and attended by general staff officers in full uniform of Tito's unfriendly neighbors, can be dismissed as a cheap theatrical gesture in Stalin's war of nerves against his former minion.

Just as the Berlin blockade and "crisis" of last year was nothing more than a diversion to alarm the West and divert attention away from the

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the murder of martyred General Mikhailovitch, our own five American fliers shot down in cold blood, or the thousands tortured and done to death since his advent to power five years ago. Yugoslavia remains in every respect a police state of total terror and repression absolutely indistinguishable from its model and mother, the Soviet Union.

Despite their reputation for a highly developed propaganda sense even Communists tend to get into a rut. Rigid adherence to the "line" apparently makes new adaptations of tried and trusted old techniques as well as a little versatility extremely hard for the commies to achieve. The same stale and mouldy old "confession" trick "done absolutely without mirrors and baffling and mystifying the human mind" first staged in Moscow sixteen years ago is being run off again for the yokels in Budapest. The propaganda purpose of these so-called "show trials" has been fully covered in previous issues of this Summary as well as a recent article in Life. In the early thirties a few gullible Americans may possibly have been taken in by these ghastly farces where mentally and spiritually broken men eagerly "confessed" not only to every crime which the prosecutors had overlooked, but also to crimes of their own which the prosecutors had overlooked. They even gave up and away by confessing to crimes which had been physically impossible. In some of the Moscow and recent Bulgarian "trials" of Protestant clergymen some of the unfortunate victims even went so far as to argue with each other as to who was really the greater scoundrel, each claiming to be a fouler villain than his other co-defendants.

By the end of 1938 most non-Russians above the level of morons and excepting, of course, willful fellow travellers, had a fairly sophisticated opinion of the purpose and techniques of these fraudulent spectacles where human beings who once had been men crawled in self-abasement and self-denunciation. It was noted that only a very small percentage of those

arrested or formally charged with crimes confessed. Those who did not break and did not confess never appeared in open court. They were simply liquidated by the N.K.V.D. with a bullet.

Nevertheless, these Vishinsky show trials as they came to be known apparently were highly edifying to Stalin who appears to believe or at least was told that they were powerful propaganda weapons. The recent Budapest "trials" of Laszlo Rajk and seven co-defendants were dreary and stale repetitions of the same old hackneyed plots "uncovered" by the N.K.V.D. for the past sixteen years. Rajk, a fanatical and seasoned Stalinist, and as No. Two Communist of Hungary and Minister of Interior in charge of the entire state machinery of secret police and repression, had purged countless victims of Communist terror. He became the Dzerzhinsky of Communist Hungary — the avenging sword of revolutionary terror.

Now Mr. Rajk stands convicted as a "sinister Trotzkyite spy and agent" by his own remarkable "confession", since he was only 22 years old in 1931.

[REDACTED] of Marshal Tito (who ruthlessly [REDACTED] in Yugoslavia on whom he could lay his hands) as well as a secret agent of American intelligence, the Vatican, Gestapo, French Deuxieme Bureau (secret service), Winston Churchill, Cardinal Mindszenty, Seldon Chapin, U.S. Minister to Hungary, and Allen Dulles, formerly connected with O.S.S. That he forgot to confess that he also worked for Chiang Kai Shek, the Japanese secret service, and Boris Karloff, was possibly an oversight. The main line of his "confession" was that he worked for Tito, who is also an agent of the "American Secret Intelligence", and that Tito was plotting to invade Hungary and Albania as well as fomenting a most foul plot to turn the Peoples Democracies of eastern Europe against poor little peace-loving Russia. This, as any child can see, gives away this particular show trial.

by the Stalinists. The facts in the case are quite simple and any reasonably intelligent person needed only the Daily Worker and N.Y. Times to trace out the pattern of a well nigh perfect job of Communist provocation.

ROBESON had recently paid a visit to Moscow. He presumably did not go there to sing, enjoy the scenery, or gaze upon the embalmed remains of the Master, Lenin. He made some extremely provocative remarks on the loyalty of American Negroes in a speech at Paris. He was promptly repudiated by American Negro leaders and spokesmen. As a result of his own activities during the past few years he has become a cordially detested public figure.

Mr. Robeson is not a native of Peekskill nor did any sizeable or reputable group in that area invite him up there to sing. Ninety-nine percent of his audience came from New York City or from outside of the Peekskill area. Singers, as any child knows, are not heard to their best advantage outdoors. Madison Square Garden, Carnegie Hall, the Golden Gate Ballroom, in Harlem, or any of a number of New York concert halls or auditoriums were available for his "concert". Instead he chose an abandoned golf links, virtually inaccessible except by motor transport on a single lane dirt road thirty-five miles from New York.

Fifteen thousand New Yorkers, many encumbered with small children and even babies, were hauled at great cost and inconvenience thirty-five miles into the country. The abandoned golf links lacked sanitary facilities or even adequate water for such a tremendous crowd. The bus companies who supplied several fleets of buses were not informed as to the purpose of the mass outing. They sustained heavy damage and financial loss and complained the Communists had tricked them. Over three thousand of the "concert lovers" appear to have been union goons and professional thugs. N.Y. State Police deprived them of over 600 baseball bats and a great pile of spanner wrenches, bottles, tire tools, clubs, and miscellaneous weapons. They

Rajk was arrested on June 18. He was not sufficiently "conditioned" to make his remarkable "confession" until nearly three months later. It took five weeks to break down Cardinal Mindszenty to the point where he was ready to confess. The fact that the Russians and their satellite country imitators still continue to stage these discredited "confessions" and show trials shows that they are either very badly informed on western world reaction to these gruesome farces or they are indifferent to world opinion and stage these shows purely for local consumption. That is, to frighten their own subjects away from any contact with foreigners and to properly awe and impress them with the omnipresent power of the secret police and the utter futility of attempting to engage in any opposition work against the Soviet power.

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#### THE HOME FRONT

The Peekskill affair completely overshadowed in importance all other Communist developments during the past month. Americans concerned with the defense of the United States against the psycho-bacteriological warfare of the Soviets are indebted to the Communists for pulling off this job and revealing the glaring defects in our morale defenses. Most of the nation's intellectual and other leadership, at least that segment which publicly expressed any opinion on Peekskill, stood exposed under Klieg light glare as being utterly and completely bamboozled by a typical Communist booby trap and being abysmally ignorant of even any rudimentary understanding of what Communism really means and how Communists work. From the Olympian N.Y. Times and Eleanor Roosevelt to A.F.L. union leaders and even Legion Posts came expressions of opinion which revealed a complete inability to analyze just what had happened and to draw sound, rational conclusions. Even trained and supposedly informed anti-Communists went off the deep end fell into the "civil rights" deadfall so cleverly rigged

New York City or wherever his audience was concentrated. The right of free speech, as a Supreme Court justice once contended, does not give one the right to shout fire in a theatre crowded with women and children. The right of free assemblage similarly does not give anyone, particularly a notorious pro-Communist, the right to hold a political meeting, "concert", or any other large mass gathering in any area where deep social, religious, or racial tensions are present and where his presence and that of his followers definitely is not desired by the community at large.

The speed with which the nationwide "protest" machinery of the formidable Communist propaganda apparatus was mobilized within a matter of hours after the incident also served to give away the show and its real purpose. ROBESON promptly demanded an investigation of The American Legion and the Ku Klux Klan, thus neatly amalgamating these two organizations together in the public mind as co-responsible for the alleged "outrage".

The Daily Worker even went further and with materialistic dialectics also linked up Gov. Dewey, Pres. Truman, the Marshall Plan, and the Taft-Hartley Act as fundamentally and basically responsible for this first example of what HENRY WALLACE called "budding American fascism". The

real significance of the Peekskill provocation was more than given away by the fact that this official mouthpiece of Stalin's Fifth Column in this country devoted during the past two weeks no less than 83 full columns or sixteen pages of precious space, replete with frenzied 72 point scare headlines to this affair.

Eight days after the riot the Daily Worker could not resist letting the Stalinist black cat out of the bag by bragging how the "union guards" (red goons) had been mobilized and transported to Peekskill, the "fascist pesthole". LEON STRAUS, youthful leader of the Furriers Union had been in supreme command. The furriers, Local 65 of the Retail, Wholesale, and Warehouse Workers union, U.O.P.W.A., the U.E.R.M.W.A., the Marine Cooks

obviously came well prepared for trouble yet they brought along their women-folk and infants.

Peekskill is a city of 18,000 population, overwhelmingly conservative. Its police force obviously could not cope with an invasion of fifteen thousand trouble-seeking radicals bringing their own "defense guards" to the number of 3,500. A very high percentage of the "guards" were combat trained veterans, the Daily Worker admitted, and they set up a military defense system in depth complete with command posts, outer perimeter skirmish lines and flying squads of plug-uglies to rush to any point of danger. --- Yet this was a simple gathering of music lovers!!!

For years prior to the last war, the Police of New York City, banned all parades and counter-demonstrations on May Day except that of the Communists who had threatened "trouble" and possible bloodshed unless the streets of New York were turned over to their exclusive use on this red holiday. Under nearly all state laws and certainly in New York, the authorities have the final discretionary power to prohibit mass gatherings of people if in the judgment of the police public safety, order, and convenience are seriously threatened. In the light of all the above facts it would seem that the simple thing to have done would have been to deny a permit to hold any such provocative "concert" which obviously was not in fact a musical gathering at all.

No responsible police official, for example, would entertain for one moment a request from GERALD L.K. SMITH of Tulsa, Oklahoma, to hold a meeting, concert, or anything else in the heart of New York's Jewish East Side or Brownsville in Brooklyn. Nor would any Ku Kluxer, whether he came to orate, sing, or merely show his face, be allowed to disport himself or his hooded order, say, in the heart of Harlem, New York. For precisely the same reasons MR. ROBESON should have been told to hold his "concert" in

which to begin a widened racial war and to set black against white. That no Negro was killed or seriously injured at Peekskill is well nigh miraculous and was naturally an intense disappointment to the master minds who planned this provocation.

Secondly, it is a basic Marxist-Leninist tenet that Communists must exert every force and device to convert an imperialist war into a civil war. America is presently plotting a most foul imperialist war against peace-loving Russia. You cannot start to convert this imperialist war into a civil war without first training and hardening your own soldiers. Peekskill was "basic training" under sham battle conditions for tougher, real fights ahead. Peekskill also served to test out mobilization and transportation tactics -- transporting and deploying fifteen thousand people complete with transport is no simple matter.

Thirdly, by craftily baiting the trap with the question of constitutional rights the Commies neatly split their overwhelming non-Communist opponents and set them to fighting among themselves over the question of civil rights for Communists.

Fourthly, Americans are notoriously sympathetic towards the underdog. The stoning of cars carrying women and children opened the floodgates of sympathy for the poor persecuted comrades and was worth at least a million dollars worth of free publicity. (No one bothered to explain or inquire as to why tiny children and even babies were hauled 35 miles or more from their homes on an all-day trip to hear a "concert" in an abandoned golf links devoid of adequate sanitary facilities and fraught with possible danger and violence in view of the disturbances which had cancelled the previous "concert". Thirty-five hundred goons armed with baseball bats and other deadly weapons carefully brought along their women and children!!!)

Finally, another basic Marxist-Leninist tenet is that imperialism



and Stewards Union, M.M.S.W.A and other C.P. controlled unions had supplied the goon brigade. The D.W. boasted, "they had come out of beds in the wee hours of Sunday in places as far as White Lake, Brooklyn, New Haven, and Philadelphia. There wasn't a summer soldier in the group. Union halls became mobilization points." They began to arrive at Hollow Brook at 6 A.M. eight hours before the "concert."

STRAUS complained bitterly that:

"The cowardly hoodlums refused to face the union guards, they were waiting until they could get at the women and children, waiting until they could get the help of the cops. Without the police we would have stopped that violence in one minute flat. Those hoodlums would not have had the guts to do anything if they had to face our union guards. They said there would be no concert in Peekskill. It was held. It was a success and a defeat for the fascists. A great part of that success was ensured by the unionists, from rank and file workers to international leaders, who turned out to defend democracy and did it in a proud and stirring manner."

The D.W. quoting "eye witness testimony" placed all blame for the violence on the police.

"It was plain that the race riot attacking on peaceful citizens in cars and buses on their way home was not a 'spontaneous' affair, but a carefully plotted crime in which the state troopers and police had a leading part. THERE WAS MAXIMUM VIOLENCE WHERE THERE WERE THE MOST POLICE. The attack took on the nature of a sudden stab in the back against cars and buses on the highway simply because the Ku Kluxers and hate-ridden fanatics found themselves utterly unable to prevent or disrupt the historic gathering of determined Americans inside the concert area."

CONCLUSION. The Communist Party is making a supreme, desperate effort to crack Negro resistance to mass recruitment into the party or at least to win over a sizeable section of colored Americans as active sympathizers. To do this it must demonstrate to Negroes that all of their present leaders and spokesmen are bourgeois fakers, "Uncle Toms", and craven weaklings and that only the Communists are true and militant defenders of Negro rights and aspirations. That was why ROBESON was selected to sing in an abandoned golf links. A full scale race riot is an excellent entering wedge with

and fascism are the last violent death throes of capitalism. According to all authorities there is not at present any serious fascist movement or threat in this country. Where an evil which you intend to use as a bogeyman with which to frighten people into supporting and defending you does not exist, then obviously you must create such a devil out of whole cloth if necessary. The tragic lesson of Europe has been that a tendency towards extremism on one hand tends to set up a counter reaction and drive those of the democratic middle to the other extreme. The Commies even have a pet phrase for this -- "polarization of social forces." By hook or by crook the lagging polarization of social forces in this country must be accelerated. The Peekskill business was calculated to arouse and increase social and racial tensions. Half-hearted Communist sympathizers and casual fellow travellers under stress of violence and physical injury to their loved ones naturally tend to become full-fledged party members. The D.W. boasted that several non-Communists had angrily declared their intention of taking out C.P. cards.

Conversely pro-fascist elements, hoodlums, and others without any strong moral guidance or insight in how best to combat Communism will tend toward any would-be storm troopers or other aspiring Hitlers. The rise of even the smallest embryo nucleus of fascism in this country would naturally begin the very "polarization of social forces" which the Communists so badly need. Peekskill was merely an opening pawn gambit in the Soviet Union's ideological war being waged on our soil to split and divide this country on artificial and often fraudulent "issues." It is to be devoutly hoped that law enforcement officers throughout the United States as well as those expressing comment on current affairs will now have a better appreciation of Communist provocation techniques and will in the future know how to avoid being booby-trapped.

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### WHAT THE COMMUNISTS ARE SAYING AND DOING

Communist propaganda during the past month has been about equally divided between what might be classified as largely defensive material such as the N.Y. trial of eleven Politburo leaders and other situations where the C.P. is having trouble and strictly offensive classifications of news-slanting and other forms of propaganda designed to weaken, divide, and demoralize the rest of the non-Communist population.

Communist audacity and full appreciation of the importance of always pressing home the offensive and never falling back on the defensive or wasting time maintaining the status quo was strikingly illustrated in the Peekskill incident. Within 24 hours of boasting of a "magnificent victory" and crowing that Robeson had held his concert undisturbed, the Daily Worker had swung into action with a long list of "demands" for investigations, prosecutions, arrests and what have you. An "Emergency Committee" of prominent progressive and labor leaders had been set up to expose all individuals guilty of "fomenting or aiding the Peekskill outrages." First the Commies demanded that Dewey order a grand jury investigation into the whole affair and when he obliged they promptly turned the attack on the N.Y. governor charging him with plotting to "whitewash" the case and demanding the U.S. Department of Justice investigate Dewey's handling of the matter! This is a classic and beautiful example of typical Communist gall and illustrates once more the utter folly of even listening to Communist complaints and demands to say nothing of acting on them. The D.W. charged that "Gov. Dewey boldly places himself at the head of the K.K.K., anti-Semitic mob as its leader, inspirer and political backer." It also derided the boasted turnout of 30,000 veterans to demonstrate against the Robeson provocation as having "collapsed to a thousand or so hooligans, barflies, fanatics, Ku Kluxers, and anti-Semites."

"In the lockerroom of the YMCA there were reports that Unruh had attended the recent American Legion convention in Philadelphia where a number of violent, war-inciting speeches were delivered by top U.S. officials."

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The importance of the Robeson incident can be evaluated by comparing it to other space classifications in the Communist press, the party apparently

It was an "historic success of the people against reaction and bigotry. The hate-mongers could not prevent Robeson from singing. This great victory is only the beginning. It must be followed up. It shows that there exist powerful forces which, if united and organized, can and will block the road to fascism and war now being instigated and prepared by the would-be conquerors of the world located in Wall Street. It shows that the fight for equal rights for the Negro people can be advanced on a scale that will bring important immediate victories."

The "beloved" GERHART EISLER contributed a full page to the Sunday WORKER for August 28 heavily larded with sarcasm and utmost contempt for the United States. The article was a speech delivered to some German workers. He disclaimed any responsibility for Pearl Harbor, Hitler's declaration of war on the U.S., or of lynching of Negroes in the South. He had no grudge against the American people -- only against the reactionaries whom he "hated from the bottom of his soul." (This must have been a slip of the tongue as materialistic Communists deny the existence of the human soul.) Eisler is a good hater. One whole paragraph was a litany of "I hate..." Typical example of EISLER at his "best":

"The American millionaires hope--and they write quite cynically in their press -- to make new billions of dollars profit in a new war while we sacrifice our last remaining bones and the remnants of our cities for them. What does it matter to them if Germany is made an atom bomb waste? There is no greater honor than to die for the dollar. They would probably plant the dollar sign on our graves instead of crosses."

Eisler ridiculed the Department of Justice for having boasted that it intended to keep him in America where he could be watched and went on to explain sarcastically how he had given the stupid American flatfeet the slip. "I forgot to tell the Attorney General and the Chief of the American secret police 'goodbye' and 'Auf Widersehen'. They apparently were upset about it, a feeling which intensified into insanity."

Neatest amalgam of the month goes to the Sept. 16th issue of the D.W. which traces the Unruh mass murders straight back to the American Legion convention at Philadelphia via the lockerroom of the Camden YMCA. We quote literally and exactly:

### QUIPS AND BITS --- THE LIGHTER SIDE

Czech Communists have booted Horatio Alger and Dick Whittington out of school children's books. They will be replaced by brand new "heroes" of socialism -- Clement Gottwald, Rudolph Slansky, Fucik, and others. Fairy tales and even Henry Ford must go. Ford may no longer be mentioned, he exploited the working class.

The Dziennik Zachodni of Poland edited by grateful Communists credits the United States with supplying Poland **only** with horse meat and chewing gum since the end of the war. No mention is made of a half a billion dollars worth of UNRRA relief and other supplies given to Poland besides chewing gum and horse meat.

The forest fires which raged in France last month may have baffled French authorities as to their origin but you can't fool a Bolshevik. Russian commentator Shachmagnov flatly charges American incendiaries fired the French forests in order to ruin the French turpentine industry and to further enslave already "Marshallized" France. General De Gaulle according to the Russkies was also involved -- the fires were really a secret step towards seizure of power by former Vichyites and De Gaulle.

A Brooklyn lady suing her Communist husband for divorce alleged that he spent all of his evenings with party women in party work as they "stimulated him". She further claimed that when their son refused to join the Wallace movement that his Stalin-loving father called him a "bourgeois moron and jerk". Mailing Daily Workers to all of her non-Communist friends was another happy little prank of his that cost her most of her oldest and best friends she claimed.

The United Press reports that Iceland intercepted four Soviet trawlers in Icelandic territorial waters and escorted them to port for investigation. Three were fishing for herrings and one was standing by. Just looking for red herrings, no doubt.

considering it five times more important than unemployment and other "depression is already here" items. Judging by the relative assignment of space Stalin's Fifth column editors regarded the Peekskill affair as twice as important as straight pro-Soviet propaganda and the official line of the U.S.S.R.'s foreign office always a high priority in fifth or sixth place of importance. Vaughan's deep freeze, China, rent gouging, Tito, items of labor interest, and attacks on U.S. foreign policy were all crowded off the D.W.'s front page by the Peekskill incident. During the past few months items of Jewish interest have virtually disappeared from the official mouth-piece of the Kremlin in this country. Israel is being blacked out by never being mentioned any longer. Only the New York trial was able to hold its own with the Robeson "concert" as far as space assignment, editorial coverage, and 72 point headlines on the front page were concerned.

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#### COMMUNIST LITERARY OUTPUT

The Daily Worker boasts that the party has put out over 700,000 pieces of seditious and subversive material thus far this year divided as follows:

Foster's "Twilight of Capitalism"	100,000
The Federal Jury is Stacked Against You    Bachrach	100,000
The North Atlantic Pact    Abraham Chapman	100,000
Where is the C.I.O. Going?	26,000
Foster Statement	25,000
Who Pays for the Cold War	25,000
Stoolpigeon    Elizabeth Gurley Flynn	22,000
Tale of Two Workers	20,000
Life of Foster    Elizabeth Gurley Flynn	20,000
Miscellaneous	300,000

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### WHAT YOU CAN DO

When one of Stalin's bully boys in the U.S.A., or even one of his fronting followers, is indicted for anything from assault to treason, his personal liberties are always being "ruthlessly abridged, and his constitutional rights denied".

Immediately the Commy press and/or some new phony front comes out with a letter-writing campaign which, surprising as it may seem, often sways otherwise sober judgment.

Recently the letter campaigns of the Commies and commie-firsters have had three objectives; (1) to Congress in an attempt to get them to curb the F.B.I. from all investigations relative to loyalty or subversive action; (2) to the Attorney General to get him to quash the indictment of the 12 Communist leaders on trial in New York City and, (3) to get General Foods and Pepsi-Cola to restore May Day-parading Bill Sweets to his lush job of directing their shows, "Gang Busters" and "Counterspy".

YOU can and SHOULD drop a personal letter

- (1) to your Congressman commending the work of the F.B.I. in quietly and legally collecting evidence about citizens or aliens who are disloyal to this country; and
- (2) to the Attorney General commending him for the work of his Department in prosecuting the 12 Communists in New York City accused of advocating the overthrow of this government by force and violence; and
- (3) to the President - or other high official - of General Foods and of Pepsi-Cola, commending them for ridding their programs of William Sweets.

Now, DON'T accuse anybody of being a Communist.

Don't write on a post card.

DO write the President of each Company.

DO use your own words in a short letter, simply expressing your approval of the Sweets elimination. You don't even have to say why you approve.



The Catholic University of Peking was taken over by Chinese reds when that city fell. A Soviet of illiterate workmen, students, and a couple of Communist stooge professors took over control of the college. Courses in logic and ethics were promptly discontinued as no one had any need for such instruction in bourgeois nonsense under the "New Democracy".

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QUOTES WORTH QUOTING

"Will the giant Russian state ever halt in its march towards world power? Even if she wished to do so conditions would prevent it. The natural borders of Russia run from Danzig, or even Stettin, down to Trieste and it is inevitable that the Russian leaders should do their utmost to swell out until they have reached this border. Russia has only one opponent -- the explosive power of democratic ideas and the inborn urge of the human race in the direction of freedom."

Karl Marx, April 12, 1853, N.Y. Tribune

"The Communist is a scab against Democracy."

Rev. Charles O. Rice, Boston Herald

"It is pointless to talk in riddles -- the only threat to American security and world peace comes from Russia."

Gen. Hoyt Vandenberg

"The Chinese Communist conquest of Asia was engineered right here in Washington by top policy makers of this government. There are some in our midst who are overjoyed at the prospect of a Communist victory in China. This is what they have been working for for years, right here in our own midst."

Senator Jenner of Indiana, speech in the Senate

"Free speech is not for those who come among us as disruptors."

N.Y. City Councilman and Communist Benjamin Davis as quoted by the New Republic at the recent N.Y.C. Bill of Rights Conference on the question of considering a Trotskyite resolution on civil rights.

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Here is the text of a national convention resolution as a cue:

"WHEREAS, General Foods, Inc., and Pepsi-Cola of New York have removed from their radio and television programs certain persons of known Communistic sympathies; now, therefore, be it

"RESOLVED, by The American Legion in National Convention, That it does hereby commend the above mentioned companies for their patriotic action;"

Here are some names to note:

Hon. J. Howard McGrath  
Attorney General of the U.S.  
Department of Justice  
Washington, D. C.

Mr. Walter F. Mack, Jr., President  
Pepsi-Cola Company  
New York, New York

Mr. Austin F. Ingleheart, President  
General Foods, Inc.,  
250 Park Avenue  
New York, New York

If you are in doubt about radio "characters", refer first to the April-May Summary for a check list.

~~Wanted — Job. — Willing to accept any position. Employers may write, telephone, telegraph (preferably all three).~~

~~EARL BROWDER,  
7 Highland Pl., Yonkers, N.Y.~~

The one-time Communist leader in the United States, given the bum's rush by the comrades in 1946, today was among the unemployed.

Browder has (a) quit, or (b) been removed (depending on where you sit) as the American publishing representative of the Soviet's All-Union Council of Ministers.

He (a) quit, or (b) was removed, at the end of July, and closed up his office in the Bryant Park Building, 55 W. 42d St.

"I am unemployed at present and looking for a job. I will gladly consider anything at which I can earn my living," Browder is quoted as saying.

He added it would be dandy if he could work in his ante-political craft of accounting, or maybe as a business executive. He also hopes to earn a buck or two lecturing.

As so-called publishing representative of the Council of Ministers, Browder was supposed to provide an exchange of information between this country and Russia, and vice versa, presumably as a kind of telepathic medium.

He latched onto this sinecure in a mysterious visit to Moscow in 1946 in which he was received by Foreign Minister Molotov. He signed a five-year contract, which has two years to run. He operated as "Earl Browder, Inc." and "Soviet Government Publishing House."

CHECK LIST OF H.U.A.C. PUBLICATIONS

The following is a check list of all publications issued by the House Un-American Activities Committee thus far this year. The AMERICANISM DIVISION, American Legion, 734 Fifteenth Street, N.W., Washington, D. C. has on hand for distribution a very limited supply of the publications preceded by an asterisk. They will be sent in single copy to applicants on a first come, first serve basis while they last. Those desiring copies of publications not preceded by an asterisk should not write to this office but should write directly to their congressmen.

100 Things You Should Know About Communism In The U.S.A.

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Sol. H. Cohn  
Prof. Ephraim Cross

John W. Darr, Jr.

Dr. Benjamin Denawa

Dr. W. E. B. Du Bois

James H. Durkin

Frank Dutto

Howard Fast

Shirley Graham

Ben Gold

B. Z. Goldberg

Ewart Guinier

Robert Gwathmey

Uta Hagen

Arthur Hurwich

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National Non-partisan Committee to Defend the Rights of the 12  
Communist Leaders

(IN PROCESS OF FORMATION)

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CALIFORNIA

Charlotta A. Bass

Edward Barlow

Hugh Bryson

George A. Coe

Hugh Hardyman

Albert Maltz

Howard Edwin Sweeting

Eddie Tanger

FLORIDA

Stetson Kennedy

GEORGIA

Larkin Marshall

ILLINOIS

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David Rein

Theresa Lee Robinson

Thomas G. Sampler

Rabbi David Graubart

Alfonso Iannelli

Michael Levin

Willard Motley

Grant W. Oakes

Father Clarence Parker

Dr. Boris Rubenstein

Mrs. J. Russell

Antonio Rubio, Ph.D.

Rabbi Samuel Teitelbaum



The Americanism Division also has on hand a limited supply of the following publications which will be distributed upon application on the same first come, first served, while they last basis.

Communist Plot Exposed James Sweinhart Series of Articles published in THE DETROIT NEWS 1948

Red Mouthpiece Reprint of article in PLAIN TALK giving facts behind newsletter IN FACT by Lyons

Communists Invade The Churches Rabbi Benjamin Schultz

Broadcast by Jack Beall on Communists in the Entertainment Field

The Conduct of Judge Samuel Kaufman in the Alger Hiss Trial - Speech in Congress by Rep. Keefe

Partial Record of a Tool of the Communists Remarks of Rep. Clare Hoffman in Congress concerning George Seldes, editor of IN FACT (see Red Mouthpiece, above)

Statehood For Hawaii - Communist Penetration of The Hawaiian Islands Report of Senator Butler

Control of Subversive Activities Hearings on Mundt and Ferguson Bills - Senate Judiciary Comm.

Communism In Action - A Documented Study And Analysis of Communism in Operation In the United States - Prepared by Library of Congress under direct supervision of Rep. E. A. Tamm

The Strategy And Tactics Of World Communism, Subcommittee #5, National and International Movements, Hon. Frances P. Bolton, Chairman, House Committee on Foreign Affairs.

- a. The Coup D'Etat in Prague
- b. Communism in the Near East
- c. Communism in China

Speeches in Congress by Rep. George A. Dondero, Michigan:  
Communist Art in Government Hospitals  
Communists Maneuver to Control Art in the U.S.  
Communism in the Heart of American Art - What To Do About It  
Are American Communists Disloyal to the U.S.

Communist Infiltration in the United States U.S. Chamber of Commerce

Communists Within The Government " " " "

Communists Within The Labor Movement " " " "

House Report No. 2 of Special Committee on Un-American Activities, 1939

House Report No. 2742 of Committee on Un-American Activities, 1947

How You Can Fight Communism James F. O'Neil, Past Nat'l. Commander, The American Legion.



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Tom Ludwig

Mrs. Clara M. Vincent

VIRGINIA

Virginia Durr

Mrs. Robbie M. Riddick

WASHINGTON

Dr. Willis B. Merriam

William J. Pennock

WEST VIRGINIA

Horace Meldahl

WISCONSIN

Leo Krzyki

SPECIAL REPORT #3

The following were listed as "Members of the Continental Committee" of the recent AMERICAN CONTINENTAL CONGRESS FOR PEACE in Mexico City:

Dr. W.E.B. DuBOIS

Dr. LINUS PAULING

HUGH BRYSON trades unionist

CHARLIE CHAPLIN

JOHN CLARK trades unionist

JO DAVIDSON sculptor

UTA HAGEN actress

CHARLES HOUSTON lawyer

ROBERT W. KERRY lawyer

PAUL ROBESON

JOHN B. COOGE lawyer

JOHN B. COOGE lawyer

Rev. JOHN B. THOMPSON minister

MARY VAN KLEECK anthropologist

MAXINE WOOD playwright

The following signed the WOMEN'S SPONSORING CALL to this same phony "peace" conference:

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MINEOLA V. INGERSOLL

ADA B. JACKSON

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John A. Kingsbury  
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Andrew Leredu  
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Prof. Philip Morrison  
Capt. Hugh Mulzac  
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Perlow

Albert Pezzati

Martin Popper

Anton Refregier

Paul Robeson

O. John Rogge

Arthur Schutzer

Samuel Sillen

Mary Van Kleeck

Leonard Velardi

Theodore Ward

Prof. Gene Weltfish

Joseph Winogradsky

NORTH CAROLINA

Edwin Bjorkman

NORTH DAKOTA

Don C. Matchan

OHIO

Prof. Henry Blumberg

Russell N. Chase

Hugh De Lacy

Thelma C. Furry

Ray Ginger

Bernard V. McGroarty

Elsie R. Tarcai

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Prof. Henry N. Wieman

PENNSYLVANIA

Calvin Brook

Arvin B. Christman

David Davis

Donald Henderson

Mrs. Charlotta K. Krall

W. F. McCabe

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RHODE ISLAND

Clemens J. France

Albert J. Hallington

SOUTH CAROLINA

Mrs. Andrew W. Sinkins

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Mr. Alexander Campbell  
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Phone No. \_\_\_\_\_

Hour 2:00pm Date November 16 19 49

Mr. Tolson \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Ladd \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Clegg \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Glavin \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Nichols ☒ \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Rosen \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Tracy \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Harbo ☒ \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Jones ☒ \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Mohr ☒ \_\_\_\_\_  
Tele. Room ☒ \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Nease ☒ \_\_\_\_\_  
Miss Holmes \_\_\_\_\_  
Miss Gandy \_\_\_\_\_

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When informed of the Director's absence from the city, Mr. Campbell declined to speak to the Acting Director and asked that the following message be given the Director.

Mr. Campbell stated that Mr. George Craig, National Commander of the American Legion, has informed him that the American Legion is to sponsor a panel discussion the latter part of January, the discussion to be on the general subject of Communism. He stated that Mr. Craig, who is from Brazil, Indiana, and a very good friend of his, has indicated the desire to have the Director preside over one of the panel discussions. Mr. Campbell stated the details have not all been worked out as to the place for the meeting etc., but it is to be attended by representatives of the various service clubs and civic clubs over the Nation. He stated that Mr. Hoover will receive a formal invitation concerning this matter but, as a personal  
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favor, he thought he would give the Director advance notice of this.

Mr. Campbell was thanked for calling and he was assured that Mr. Hoover would be informed of the above message.

Mr. Nichols has been advised.

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## EXPOSING THE COMMUNIST CONSPIRACY



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## THE SPOTLIGHT

The JOINT ANTI-FASCIST REFUGEE COMMITTEE, according to testimony given before the House Un-American Activities Committee, paid GERHARD EISLER'S living expenses by monthly subsistence check for some time while that top Soviet agent "favored" this country with his unsavory presence. Several of its officers were convicted last year of contempt of Congress and are still out of jail on appeal. The Attorney General of the U. S. included the J.A.F.R.C. on the subversive list, and both the California and Congressional Un-American Activities Committees have cited it as a Communist front organization. All this unpleasant notoriety has apparently embarrassed this front into a temporary or perhaps permanent eclipse. However, none of its functions or activities have ceased.

Lately a SPANISH REFUGEE APPEAL has been conducting dances, benefits, and other fund-collecting functions from Suite 1501 at 192 Lexington Avenue, New York. The New York telephone directory lists its phone number as Lexington 2-3134. The same handy reference source lists the JOINT ANTI-FASCIST REFUGEE COMMITTEE at the same address and, "curiouser and curiouser", J.A.F.R.C. also uses Lexington 2-3134. Only a hyper-suspicious red-baiter would go so far as to insinuate that the two outfits are one and the same or, perhaps more correctly, that J.A.F.R.C. now masquerades as the "SPANISH REFUGEE APPEAL."

INDEPENDENT SOCIALIST LEAGUE. Another change-of-name switch was worked by the Shachtmannite faction of the Trotskyites when they changed the name of the WORKERS PARTY to the INDEPENDENT SOCIALIST LEAGUE after the Attorney General had listed the W.P. as subversive. Now the U. S. Attorney General has listed the I.S.L. as also subversive. The I.S.L. published LABOR ACTION, weekly.

CONFERENCE ON PEACEFUL ALTERNATIVES TO THE ATLANTIC PACT. On August

21 this lanky-titled "peace conference" addressed an open letter to the Congress of the United States urging it to reject the Military Aid Program to arm western Europe. The letter opened:

"As citizens who are deeply concerned with the welfare and freedom of America and the peace of the world, we urge you to reject the proposal to send arms to Europe. Nothing could be more tragic for world peace at this time than sending these arms. Nothing will more surely divide the world into two warring camps."

The rest of the letter is quoted verbatim as an interesting and instructive example of propaganda technique worthy of serious study by all Legionnaires concerned over the security of their country against modern day political and psychological forms of warfare.

"We believe that peace is possible; that war between the United States and the Soviet Union is not inevitable; that through conferences and discussions as at the recent Four Power Paris Conference, differences between our country and the Soviet Union can find a just and honorable solution. In rejecting the idea that war is inevitable and in reiterating our firm conviction that the United States and the Soviet Union can settle their differences through peaceful means, we are confident that we echo the hopes of the vast majority of the American people.

"It is precisely because we believe in the possibility of peace that we are alarmed at the proposal to send arms to Europe. In the few days that have elapsed since Pres. Truman sent his request to Congress for an arms program for Europe, a dangerous atmosphere of panic and hysteria seems to have been deliberately created. The theory is being spread that the arms appropriation must be passed so that we may muster adequate military forces against the Soviet Union. An arms program such as this will lead to an armaments race which will soon take us into war. Peace has never been preserved by arms -- only destroyed.

"A huge and costly program for arming western Europe, underwritten by American money and arms, will add an intolerable burden to the economy of our country and the nations of Europe just at the time when we can least afford it.

"The American people cannot afford more arms when their own incomes are declining and money is being denied needed social services and welfares; when taxes that pay for the cold war are already biting deeply into the average American's income.

"It is unthinkable that when the needs of the world are for economic survival, for food, clothing, shelter, that this money should be spent on arms. To force upon the nations of western Europe the staggering burden of an armaments race threatens them with an impossible burden at the very time when they are concerned with the prevention of economic catastrophe.



"There is a road to peace that is not paved with arms. From every side there is convincing evidence that continued negotiation to settle outstanding differences between the East and West, will prove more and more fruitful. The recent special report of the American Friends Service Committee has pointed the way, as has every major religious pronouncement these last few months. It lies through reliance on the U.N. for mediation and conciliation, through working for peace rather than preparing for war, through increasing trade with Russia and Eastern Europe.

"The United States must take that road to peace.

"But the arms program and the alarmist war atmosphere now being developed to justify this program will nullify any efforts to break down the barriers between East and West through continued peaceful negotiations.

"We urge upon you that you cast your vote against the arms program and thus translate into action the peaceful desires of the American people instead of following the lead of those who would further divide the world through an armaments race."

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To an unsophisticated, untrained average American, worried about world peace and concerned over the future security of this country, the above might present a certain sheen of plausibility and sincere desire for peace. However, to trained propaganda analysts, students of Communist techniques, and well-informed sophisticated readers the open letter is just another tiresome and stereotyped example of party-line propaganda. The same old hackneyed terminology and shop-worn clichés glaringly betray the writer's real motivation -- "Defend the Soviet Union." Finally, if the UOPWA 16/117 identification tag in the lower left hand corner of the open letter were not sufficiently revealing, then the give-away phrase ending the seventh paragraph, "through increasing trade with Russia and Eastern Europe," significantly betrays just what is worrying the "boys."

Over 800 peace-loving Americans signed the open letter. At first careless glance they appear to be largely clergymen, college professors and presidents, and other eminently respectable people. Closer scrutiny sours one's first hopeful impressions into annoyed disillusionment. Any lingering doubts, as to the impeccable purity and nobility of purpose of

the CONFERENCE ON PEACEFUL ALTERNATIVES TO THE ATLANTIC PACT are rudely dispelled by the discovery of the following names, known or suspected Soviet agents, self-admitted or known Communists, veteran C.P. line followers, perennial and hardy fronters, or "innocents" whose names have graced many a commy front sponsor list:

REV. JOHN B. THOMPSON, Dean, Rockefeller Memorial Chapel, Univ. of Chicago. Daily Worker, page 4, Sept. 3, 1940, lists the Rev. John B. Thompson as having been elected Chairman of the AMERICAN PEACE MOBILIZATION which picketed the White House up to the very day that Hitler attacked Russia. The House Un-American Activities Committee dubbed A.P.M. "one of the most notorious and blatantly Communist Party fronts ever organized in this country."

AUBREY WILLIAMS

ALBERT MALTZ (Hollywood Ten)

DALTON TRUMBO " "

JAMES WATERMAN WISE

JOHN T. BERNARD

PROF. DIRK STRUIK

DR. EDWARD K. BARSKY

CHARLES COLLINS

W.E.B. DUBOIS

BEN GOLD

DASHIELL HAMMETT

ALBERT E. KAHN

VITO MARCANTONIO

REV. WILLIAM HOWARD MELISH

MAX PERLOW

O. JOHN ROGGE

MARY VAN KLEECK

HUGH DELACEY

PROF. RALPH GUNDLACH

ROCKWELL KENT

ELIZABETH SASULY

HUGH BRYSON

LINUS C. PAULING

JEROME DAVIS

I. F. STONE

HENRY W. L. DANA

ELMER BENSON

PROF. LYMAN BRADLEY

MURIEL DRAPER

ABRAM FLAXER

UTA HAGEN

LEO HUBERMAN

KENNETH LESLIE

ELIZABETH MOOS

ARTHUR OSMAN

MARTIN POPPER

AGNES SMEDLEY

PROF. GENE WELTFISH

REV. ARTHUR W. MOULTON

WILLIAM J. PENNOCK

ANTON REFREGIER

PROF. KERMIT EBY

NOTE. Entire list of over 800 signers segregated by states, will be published as a special appendix to the November Summary if a sufficient number of Summary readers write in requesting that this be done.

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#### THE NEW YORK TRIAL

Nine months of trial are all over. Nine months of open and undisguised contempt, lying, evasion, heckling, stalling, judge-baiting, commy exhibitionism, faked indignation and phony outraged righteousness, and every other conceivable and inconceivable low and dirty commy trick and technique have finally come to an end, --- a bitter end for the leadership of Stalin's Fifth Column in this country. What the Legion has argued for many years (much of the time a lone voice in the wilderness of confusionist babel) that American Communism was and is a criminal conspiracy and should be treated as such, has now at long last been proved in a court of law. There remains, of course, the final hurdle of the U. S. Supreme Court, which in the recent past has acted rather cannily in its rulings involving Communism, as a result of the famous "clear and present danger" theory laid down twenty years ago and so often quoted by the Kremlinites as proof of their harmlessness and basically loyal Americanism. The appeals, needless to say, will probably drag through the courts for years. In the meantime, the Commies, as previously reported in this Summary, have already submerged most of their surface apparatus. Now even the periscope and snorkel will be hauled down. That they would attempt to prove their true devotion to this country by obeying its laws and going out of business is simply too far-fetched even to consider. They served notice many times before Congressional committees that, even if the Supreme Court upheld a law putting them out of business, they would continue to carry on underground with redoubled zeal and fury.

Defense lawyers spent the last week wasting everyone's time, including their own, by carrying on all manner of commy shenanigans ranging from a barrage of false charges, irrelevant and extraneous diatribes, indignant denials put on with every show of sincerity and deep feeling, ridiculing and blasting every bit of the government's case, attempting to insinuate every conceivable line of C.P. propaganda and levelling the most scurrilous attacks on the credibility of the government's witnesses. The slime and Stygian ooze of Marxian dialectics was dredged up and hurled about with typical commy abandon. Defense attorney HARRY SACHER, for example, blandly opined that if U.S. Attorney McGohey had been alive at the time of Christ, "he would have put Jesus in the dock."

The deeply hurt government prosecutor was unable to restrain himself under the scurrilous baiting and sprang to his feet angrily shouting: "It is commonly know that I am a Catholic and I fully and with all my heart believe that Jesus Christ is divine and the Son of God. To have it said in this courtroom that I would have persecuted my God is an insult I cannot resist from interrupting and answering."

Judge Medina commented, "It was a terrible thing to say."

Mr. Sacher, ignoring the uproar, continued to talk.

This moved the Judge to observe, "You don't even apologize."

To this remark government attorney McGohey added:

"Considering the source from which it came, I wouldn't want an apology."

All defense attorneys ridiculed and scoffed at the "hair-raising tales and dime novel conspiracies" of "paid prevaricators and stool pigeons of the F.B.I." Sacher melodramatically warned the jury that a conviction would mean scrapping the Constitution, abrogation of all civil rights and basic American freedoms, the institution of thought control and a secret police state, and even the horrors of atomic warfare. The latter

would be brought out by virtue of the fact that the Communist Party was the only effective force for peace and if its leadership went to jail for their ideas and ideals the path to fascism and war would be a very short one. Other attorneys brought in the flat charge that the whole trial was nothing but a foul political plot of President Truman to eliminate a rival political party whose growing influence he dreaded and feared.

EUGENE DENNIS, alias FRANCIS WALDRON and several other aliases, acting as his own attorney, was the last defense lawyer to sum up. He broadly intimated that banning the Communist Party would merely mean a change to a new name and the growth of "secret societies." After 163 days of trial, City Councilman BENJAMIN J. DAVIS asked the court for permission to discharge his lawyer so that he could sum up for himself. Judge Medina found this to be a "maneuver not made in good faith" and denied the petition. The Daily Worker in 72 point scareheads promptly informed the world that this was "AN INSULT TO THE NEGRO PEOPLE," and indicative of Judge Medina's hatred of Negroes.

On October 10th a delegation of nineteen notorious C.P. fronters, headed by PAUL ROBESON and O. JOHN ROGGE and attended by a score or more of henchmen and hat-holders, called on the Attorney General in Washington to demand that the government quash the whole case after nine months of trial and an estimated expense of over a million dollars. The Attorney General was "out", but after a long heel-cooling wait in the corridors, the delegation was admitted to see Alexander Campbell, Ass't. U. S. Attorney General. ROBESON told Campbell that the conduct of Judge Medina "really calls for an impeachment." He also asserted that the Peekskill "riots" could not have happened without the trial first arousing anti-Communist hysteria and hate. ROGGE was sure that the U. S. Government has been "kicking away the freedom of the people to think for themselves." Legionnaire Judge NORVAL K. HARRIS

of Sullivan, Indiana, was stated to be present, according to the Daily Worker, but he apparently failed to arrive. The delegation, as far as it was possible to identify them, consisted of the following:

PAUL ROBESON

O. JOHN ROGGE

JOHN J. ABT

BEN GOLD

WILLIAM L. PATTERSON

REV. HARRY R. PINE, A.C.L.U.

JAMES DURKIN, UOPWA

HOWARD FAST

The Daily Worker of October 12 listed the following as in this delegation:

BISHOP FULLIAM

SAMUEL M. GOODMAN

REV. DONALD LOTHROP

MILO MAMULA

DOROTHY COLE

HARRY REICH

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#### THE COMMUNIST FRONT

Communist reaction to President Truman's announcement that the Soviets had conducted an atomic explosion; the sharpening Tito-Stalin crisis; and the historic "Guilty" verdict of the top eleven C.P. leaders, were the three most significant developments on the Communist front during the past month. The American Continental Peace Conference at Mexico City, another "labor peace" conference held at Chicago on October 2nd (which Russia had set aside as "World Peace Day"), the Madison Square hootenanny celebrating the 30th anniversary of the founding of the C.P. USA, and the UNITED ELECTRICAL, RADIO & MACHINE WORKERS of America Convention (where the Communists maintained their thirteen year grip on this most strategic C.I.O union) were all items of high interest and importance to the Kremlin Gremlins in this country.

Badly drooping Communist morale was naturally given an enormous reviving shot in the arm by the simple announcement of the Soviet atomic explosion. This was even better news than the abandonment of China, to Red conquest, by the United States -- or, perhaps more correctly by the State Department.

The Daily Worker editorialized:

"Has anyone ever seen such a babel of double talk and frightened lying as has come bursting out of the press and our Washington statesmen since it was stated by President Truman that the Soviet Union has the atom bomb?"

"The 'cold war' madmen simply don't know which way to turn. They had everything neatly planned. We would hire Europe's youth to be the cannon fodder. Wall Street's munitions firms and aviation grafters would rake in the boodle. From a safe distance crazy generals would push buttons to wipe out hundreds of millions of human beings in the horror of newer and bigger Hiroshimas. This profit-drunk stupidity can't hold water anymore. To hide their bankruptcy they issue opium bulletins on the radio. Gen. Omar Bradley says he is calm, very calm; he is out playing golf. That is the modern touch -- when Rome burned Nero played the fiddle."

"But the warmongers are losing ground faster and faster. Their hysterics and shrieks can't cover that up. They see their rotten war plans getting more and more difficult to sell. That makes them more dangerous though, as they fear complete defeat in their horrible plans."

Starobin, Daily Worker high priest columnist was "happy that American imperialist policy has suffered an uninterrupted series of fiascoes in 1949." He was also elated that America's monopoly of the A-bomb had vanished and that "the whole Truman policy is now shattered by the new relationship of forces in the field of atomic energy." Starobin is also comforted by the thought that the Soviets no longer need to bargain with the United States over atomic control.

Another D.W. editorial on October 5th stated:

"The atom bomb maniacs just keep on yapping about the need for bigger and better bombs as if nothing had happened. Their eyes are so glued to the profits that they hope to make out of their plan for world conquest, that they are quite ready to shove the United States into the hell of a needless war, regardless of what happens to the American people."

Finally, ALAN MAX, another Worker hack, quips wise:

"The capitalist powers who thought they had a monopoly on the A-bomb, can console themselves on one thing -- they still have a monopoly on economic crisis."

The world Communist press from the voice of the COMINFORM, "FOR A LASTING PEACE--FOR A PEOPLES DEMOCRACY" published in Bucharest and

NEW TIMES published in Moscow, to our own Daily Worker and C. P. satellite papers have enormously increased their space and sharpened their invective against former comrade and patron saint Tito. Tito's replies by radio, press, and other media has more than matched the blasts against him and his regime, by the employment of charges and language peculiar to fanatical Communists. The Tito-Stalin imbroglio is now fully and intelligently covered by the public prints and scarcely requires any further interpretation by this Summary. As long ago as July, 1948, this Summary predicted:

"By far the most important and significant development on the C.P. front in the past several years was last month's Cominform statement attacking Tito and the Yugoslav C.P. The future history of the world will, in all probability, be changed profoundly by this sensational break in the iron ring of Soviet satellites.... There is no doubt that Stalin has suffered a major reverse, which may profoundly affect Russian foreign policy and Communist aggression in Europe for years to come." (Summary, July, 1948.)

With the deepening of the international crisis and the ever increasing danger that other satellites may seek to emulate Tito, it is obvious that Stalin cannot much longer leave the whole Balkan flank of the Iron Curtain wide open without completely compromising the Adriatic, Greek, Dardenelles, Turkish, and Near East situations, so vital to Soviet expansionist plans. No less than twenty-two assassination attempts have reputedly been made on Tito in the past fifteen months. Liquidation of the Tito mutiny is now unquestionably the No. 1 item on Stalin's top priority list of "things I must do right away." The creation of a phony "Yugoslav government in exile" on Hungarian or Bulgarian soil, is a possibility but, in view of the total fiasco of OTTO KUUSINEN'S famous "Terijoki government" of Finland during Russia's attack on that country in 1939, this solution would seem less attractive than the creation of an internal uprising based on Macedonian independence and IMRO revolutionary activity. The Greek insurgent war mistake, from which Stalin is now trying desperately to extricate himself without too much loss of face, is another possible inhibitory factor. Conversely, Tito and company are now in a most



precarious position inexorably forced on, in self-defense, to launching a smashing counter-offensive against the encircling Russian octopus by stimulating or fanning incipient mutinies in Soviet puppet states.

The Commies celebrated the 30th anniversary of their party at Madison Square Garden on September 15th. Newspapermen estimated about 16,000 of the faithful, a noticeable shrinkage from numbers attendant to previous party hootenannies in the Garden. EUGENE DENNIS, BENJAMIN DAVIS, ROBERT THOMPSON, IRVING POTASH, CLAUDIA JONES, and WILLIAM SCHNEIDERMAN were the main speakers. DENNIS boasted of the increasing unity and mass character of the struggle to defend the Bill of Rights; mass actions around unity with the Negro people in Chicago, Gary, Peekskill and elsewhere; and the new grass-roots strength in the growing "peace movement" and opposition to the North Atlantic Pact and the Military Aid Program. Wherever he looked, Dennis said, he could see the growing power and strength of the Communist Party and its invincible program of progress. The C.P. faces the storms ahead with confidence and courage. "For thirty years we have taught that sooner or later the working class will inevitably come to power and establish Socialism in all countries", he shouted to the roaring comrades.

Dennis cited the defeat of the Illinois, Broyles Bill, the Ober Bill in Maryland, and the Tenney bills in California as well as other "police state" legislation as the one sign of the turning of the tide in favor of the people. Another Dennis gem, shouted to the cheering tovarishi, was:

"Let McGohey object and Judge Medina sustain him, nevertheless socialism is established in one-sixth of the world and the peoples movement in rapidly gaining power elsewhere. Medina may remand four brave men to jail but he cannot remand 400,000,000 Chinese".

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## WHAT THE COMMUNISTS ARE SAYING AND DOING

The last three issues of For A Lasting Peace have been quite colorful and highly readable. An extraordinary amount of space is now devoted to depicting the Soviet Union as an olive-branch-carrying dove of peace, and the non-Soviet world as a blood-thirsty, profits-mad gang of imperialist war-mongers. The very crudity and shallowness of this world peace crusade, by the Soviets, should not be discounted or ridiculed as self-exposing and self-defeating. All Soviet propaganda, like all Communist propaganda, is never or seldom aimed at logicians, sophisticated people, or critical and analytical minds. It is devised and aimed at the mass mind of simple people who believe what they see in print or hear by ear, if it is repeated often enough with an apparent show of sincerity. American counter-propaganda misses the boat entirely and is far behind the Russians on the world peace question -- a matter obviously close to the fears and thinking of most of the human race. Note the opening paragraph of a long double column article in For A Lasting Peace entitled, "DEFENSE OF PEACE -- THE CONCERN OF THE PEOPLES OF THE WORLD."

"The flame of the universal struggle for peace and world security is spreading and burning with ever greater intensity. Millions of ordinary people in Europe and Asia, America and Australia, Africa and in the remote Pacific islands are rising together in the defense of peace. Neither distance, nor difference in their way of life, history, religion, language, culture, nor political development have prevented the people of the world from voicing their great desire -- NO! THERE SHALL BE NO WAR!"

Full page articles by Mao Tze Tung; ample coverage of any and all "peace" conferences; long-winded reports on the activities of Cominform Communist parties; the New York trial of eleven American Politburo leaders; and long harangues on the "strengthening of revolutionary vigilance" make up the bulk of this six page weekly organ of the Cominform.

Ilya Ehrenburg, the reports of whose purges or at least temporary eclipse appear a bit premature, contributes a long article entitled "Americanism." The following highlights, extracted from the article, require no commentary:

"At the words 'American way of life' there comes to mind the peculiar but hardly attractive scenes of American life: towns which look exactly alike, people always in a hurry, drug stores with their food counters, tawdry gilt and glitter, dirt, stuffiness, Coca Cola ads, and the ideal laxative taken by Romeo and Juliet on the other side of the ocean to maintain spiritual balance....

"It isn't important that all Americanists wear the same kind of tie, one could put up with that. What is awful is that all Americanists repeat one and the same thing. They scan the front page of the newspapers. All newspapers whether Republican, Democrat or 'independent' dish up the same lies. This is their political education. In the 'Readers Digest' the Americanist reads the old, old story of how John married Mary and Jenny married Bill. How John made \$200,000 on potash, how Bill murdered John and how Jenny, after a Negro tried to rape her, caught a 'Red spy' and bought a lovely villa in Florida."

"Real love is alien to the Americanist; he has no imagination .... Where is their individuality? Where are their thoughts and sentiments? They go to idiotic films and are dazzled. They gulp five whiskies and get into a car with somebody else's wife. They listen to Mr. Acheson and any other charlatan who advertises laxatives. They are all alike. This is not a human society; it is a herd of milling millions....

"Every day tens of millions read the comics which feature murder, violence and torture -- the world of the 'Supermen', blood brothers of the S. S. uebermensch. The world shuddered when the simplified Nietzscheans passed over from talk about 'Deutschtum' and beer to the gas chambers of Oswiecim. How should we react to the super-simplified 'Supermen' (of America) who know nothing about Nietzsche but who think themselves supermen and who are thirsting to pass over from Americanism and Coca Cola to super-Oswiecisms....?

"Americanism personifies vulgarity and arrogance; robots and chewing gum; fornication in an automobile; a Negro soaked in petrol (gasoline); supermen who crush skulls; framed-up Communists; hypocrisy and savagery; talk of peace and the atom bomb. For forty years Jourdain, the hero of Moliere's comedy spoke prose and was astonished when he learned that it was precisely prose that he spoke. The Americanist is surprised and hurt when he is told that he is speaking the language of Hitler, Goebbels, and Rosenberg. He wants to be original; everything they have in America is of their own make. Fine! There is no need to enumerate -- they have their own brand of fascism, known by the name -- Americanism."

One somehow gets the vague impression that Ilya does not like Americans, Coca Cola, chewing gum, sex, automobiles or laxatives.

Ehrenburg's language is restrained and modest when compared with the Billingsgate and poisonous invective lavished on Tito and "his clique of fascist degenerates." Columns of vilification of JOZIP BROZ are liberally sprinkled with such piquant and charming phrases as: "imperialist spy and provocateur, tool of Wall Street, fascist hangmen, contemptible provocateur and assassin, hardened traitor and cynical liar, fascist bandit, dregs of society, imperialist lackey and lickspittle, Judas, etc., etc." Cartoons depict Tito as a monkey on the end of a chain leading to Wall Street, as a cringing dog licking the hand of imperialist Uncle Sam, as a pig, as a blood-dripping Nazi executioner's axe in the hand of America, and in other similar unflattering characterizations. "Tito's atrocities chill the blood," claims the voice of the Cominform.

The Rajk trial at Budapest was covered by special Cominform correspondents and received whole pages of detailed account. So important was this trial that the Daily Worker reprinted an entire two page supplement word for word from "For A Lasting Peace -- For A Peoples Democracy." As this Summary pointed out last month, the real purpose of this Moscow purge type of show trial was to "expose" Tito and his associates as tools of American Intelligence and agents of Wall Street since 1943. "For A Lasting Peace" for September 16 contained a long lead article in which the second paragraph gives away the purpose of the Rajk so-called "confession-trial."

"Imperialism, having suffered defeat in World War Two from which the Soviet Union emerged stronger than before and from which the Peoples Democracies arose, began to weave a network of conspiracies against the liberated countries advancing towards Socialism. The vanguard of international reaction -- the U. S. rulers -- mobilized their paid agents, all the dregs of society in these countries and gave them the job to wrest the Peoples Democracies from the Soviet Union and to restore capitalism in these countries....American reaction placed at the head of the storm detachment of provocateurs, the fascist-Gestapo Tito-Rankovic clique. The advancement of this clique to the forefront

was connected with the fact that in Liberated Yugoslavia, American spies, provocateurs, and Trotskyites had gained power. These spies constituted the main part of Tito's immediate circle and utilized their position systematically to oust honest Yugoslav partisans faithful to the people....

"Let the Anglo-American imperialists rage and fume; they have suffered yet another crushing defeat, yet another of their agencies has been smashed, this time a most treasured one. The Tito fascist espionage clique which has long masked itself has been fully exposed and, for that matter, so have its masters. No quarter to the despicable agents of imperialism."

The main theme songs harped upon by Soviet broadcasters during the past month have been the alleged failure of the Marshall Plan; the creation of a free west Germany; devaluation of the British pound sterling and associated currencies as a further step of rapacious Wall Street imperialists bent on enslaving the world; the growing U. S. and capitalist world crisis, "seventeen million unemployed or partly employed miserably starving in the U.S."; blasts against Tito and unbridled attacks on U.S. foreign policy all over the world. The devaluation of the British pound, and alleged economic rivalries between Great Britain and the U.S. for world markets, is skillfully played upon in broadcasts beamed at England, Western Europe and America. European standards of living outside of the magic family circle of Soviet Russia "are almost on a level with that of India." The atomic bomb announcement made an end to American blackmail and stupid complacency. "Atom diplomacy and bullying of the rest of the world, atom megalomania, and atom propaganda have all crashed like a house of cards", according to one Moscow broadcast. The bad conduct of British and American troops in Germany: mistreating of women, beating up of innocent German men, thievery, drunkenness, arrogance, boorishness and debauchery, are another favorite theme for home broadcasts and those beamed at Germany.

On the other hand the Soviet Union represents the "summit of humanity, the real mountain top of civilization and culture." As the West

declines -- Russia flourishes. An October 11 broadcast devoted an hour to picturing the U.S. as a "country of parasitic rotting capitalism." Nothing is missed. The "cruel exploitation of the workers, unbearable living conditions leading to colossal growth of disease and mortality, political graft and corruption, and the American Legion, Ku Klux Klan, and other fascist gangs openly enjoying the support and favor not only of their Wall Street bosses but also of government organs."

Also, on October 11, the American Legion was signally "honored" by being made the subject of a special Moscow broadcast beamed at local Soviet listeners. The Legion is named along with the K.K.K., Silver Shirts, American Action, and Knights of Columbus as a "fascist or semi-fascist organization." "Of these the largest is the American Legion," Moscow admits. Moscow radio also quoted from the "reactionary American paper, TIME" to prove that:

"The American Legion is the strongest tool in the hands of the monopolists. With the aid of its armed Legionnaires American reaction terrorizes the workers. It cooperates with the FBI and, in fact, fulfills the function of a secret police. In order to gather information the Legion has a vast network of agents in the country. These men pass on the information to the Federal agents and it finally reaches the Committee on Un-American Activities. The Legion is a fascist organization. It is a weapon in the hands of the American reaction in its struggle against the progressive movement, a weapon of attack against the democratic character and interests of the American people."

American movies praise crime and depravity, violence and murder. The theatre and radio likewise poison the American mind, slander the Soviet Union, and particularly demoralize youth.

"U.S. radio programs are mostly full of the howling of jazz.... Present day sociologists and philosophers are propagating man-hating theories; they are trying to prove the racial superiority of Americans over all other people, extolling war and justifying the aggressive policy of the U.S. and British ruling circles. American scientific and technical thought has been placed at the service of monopoly capital. It is directed toward discovering and manufacturing the means of mass extermination of humanity." (USSR Home service broadcast, Oct. 11.)

Three hordes of the most pronounced reaction are: The F. B. I., the U. S. Attorney General's office, and the House Un-American Activities Committee. They are waging a veritable reign of terror against all honest liberals and progressives, according to a GERHARDT EISLER article broadcast in English by Moscow to Great Britain. "U.S. people live in an atmosphere of extreme tension and fear.... All phones are tapped, innocent conversations are reported by swarms of F. B. I. snoops, merely reading suspicious literature or looking at a Soviet movie inevitably spells disaster." "Only recently the American people learned to their great horror that the F. B. I. owns a six story building in Washington packed to the rooftop with sixty million documents of this kind relating to the citizens of that country." Americans will also be surprised to learn from the Soviet "Literary Guide" that "the State Secret Police have existed in the U. S. since the very first day of its existence as an independent state." The U.S. in fact is a "typical police state based on the completely arbitrary action of the ruling circles and their terroristic machine - the F.B.I."

American communist propaganda, as reflected directly in official organs and indirectly and camouflaged in the so-called "periphery C.P. press," showed no noticeable or significant departures from that laid down in the Soviet matrix press and radio. Front page headlines and leading full page editorials in the Daily Worker accented the "world crisis of capitalism" theme, Soviet guardianship of world peace, the triumphs of Red China and the resultant smashing of American imperialist dreams of world conquest, and psychopathic attacks on Tito. The latter demonstrates that American communist invective limited to the English language does not have to take a back seat to rich Russian lexicon of slander and vilification.

"Operation cannibalism", ie., the C.I.O.'s attack on commy controlled unions; the New York trial and mile long defense statements by the defendants rehashing the old party line; the Peekskill incident and its aftermaths; the

American Labor Party-Marxist-Davis campaign in New York demands for early recognition of Communist China as well as expanded trade with the Soviet Union and its puppets, and extraordinarily heavy emphasis on all news items of Negro interest got most of the Daily Worker's strictly rationed press space. Attacks on American foreign policy; strike coverage; "witch hunts"; deportations; loyalty probes and other evidences of "anti-Communist hatred and hysteria"; and commy peace conferences and other activities also rated high priority in space assignment. Public enemies of the month as far as the Daily Worker was concerned were: Joseph Curran of the N.M.U., Gov. Dewey, James Carey of the C.I.O., Tito, the F.B.I., Judge Medina and Jawaharlal Nehru of India. The commies charge the latter with keeping twenty thousand of their Indian comrades locked up in durance vile. Nor do the Kremlin Gremlins of this country like the coming moviezation of Cardinal Mindszenty's life, "Guilty of Treason". Ayn Rand's "The Fountainhead" and the "Red Danube" are also strictly stinko according to D.W. reviewers.

The September 27 issue of the Daily Worker was the first in a long time which devoted any space to the "Forgotten Veteran." A double column lead article by the D.W.'s Washington staff charges that:

"Fifteen Million World War II veterans became forgotten men for Pres. Truman and Congress. They joined labor, the Negro people, and tenants in the line-up of those sold out by Truman's Congress of broken promises."

The balance of the article is devoted to exposing the "shameful record" of alleged neglect of the veteran.

September issue of POLITICAL AFFAIRS, which arrived about three weeks late, was largely given over to self-laudatory articles on the accomplishments or gains of the C.P. USA during its thirty years of life. ALEXANDER BITTELMAN, WILLIAM Z. FOSTER, EUGENE DENNIS, JOHN GATES, GILBERT GREEN, ROBERT THOMPSON, BENJAMIN DAVIS, GUS HALL, WILLIAM WEINSTONE, and DAVID CARPENTER contributed the main article. Carpenter was identified



by witnesses before the House Un-American Activities as allegedly the man in Baltimore who photographed overnight the stolen State Department documents brought to him by Whittaker Chambers. Carpenter authored an article entitled, "The Communist Party -- Leader of the Struggle of the Unemployed." Weinstone's article on the importance of concentrating C.P. work in basic industries is very important.

October MASSES & MAINSTREAM contains a lead article by HOWARD FAST on Peekskill. He will never forget the 27th of August and the 4th of September because he saw the ugly monster of fascism born in this country "while the storm troopers danced around in a drunken, screaming frenzy."

"We saw a thousand police, state troopers, sheriffs, deputies, county police, town police -- we saw them join forces with the storm troopers and turn the aftermath of the concert into an orgy of blood and pain. We saw ourselves and our friends and our children covered with blood, beaten, blinded and maimed -- we saw a battlefield stretched out over ten miles of road -- we saw the sub-human frenzy of the union of police and storm troopers, Ku Klux Klan and Legion -- we saw the hospital wards fill with our cut and bleeding -- we saw what we had only read about, and when a storm trooper's knife cuts the eyeball of a Negro lad in two, so that it opens up like an egg, and a policeman watches smiling, there are no words sufficient. This we saw -- and, as I said, we are different."

Howard winds up by saying he is different and will never be the same anymore. He urges all other writers to make of their writing "a sword that will cut this monster of fascism to pieces, or we will make no more literature."

HERBERT APTEKER contributes an article exposing Arthur Schlesinger, Jr., as a "fraud." A book review puff of another FAST book (by BARNARD RUBIN, former Stars and Stripes columnist and now with the Daily Worker) which was published incidentally by Little, Brown & Co., some typical Commy doggerel and trashy woodcuts, and miscellaneous piffle complete the issue.

ECONOMIC NOTES for September and October hopefully combs over all the standard economic newsletters and publications for signs of an impending crash or at least some hopeful indication of a depression but is forced to admit that the basic business trend remains unchanged. The

temporary "boomlet" is mainly due to short range inventory replenishment and is not expected to last long, according to the commy economic dopesters.

NEW FOUNDATIONS loudly yells for a "new youth organization." The lead editorial reads like a straight lift out of the June issue of POLITICAL AFFAIRS by stating that "white chauvinism must be destroyed." A "student crusade for democratic education" is urged by MARVIN SHAW, Chairman of the Council of Student Clubs of the Communist Party. JAMES ZARICHNY who recently departed from the campus of Michigan State College -- by special request -- contributes a remarkable article on academic freedom, piquantly entitled "THEY'RE CLAMPING DOWN." PROF. JOSEPH BUTTERWORTH, a "victim" of the witch-hunting Canwell Committee in Washington state, contributes a most learned treatise on why he and two other University of Washington profs had the academic can tied to them. Butterworth cheerfully admits being a C.P. member and is also quite proud "to be an obstacle to the cold war." The usual crummy commy woodcuts considered "high art", a thirteen page "review" of a C.P. book on "Negro Liberation", and miscellaneous filler complete the issue.

The monthly analysis of communist propaganda based on the Weekly Peoples World and Daily Worker from September 18 to October 14 shows several interesting shifts of emphasis. Attacks on non-communist foreign governments have jumped from 21st to third place of importance due entirely to the extraordinary amount of space now given over to vilifying Tito. Extensive coverage of the campaign to re-elect BENJ. DAVIS, N.Y. Councilman, and MARCANTONIO and other C.P. favorites has pushed the classification "Communists in politics" up into 8th place or nearly as much space as is given to straight Soviet propaganda and items of U.S.S.R. foreign policy, always a top priority in communist space considerations. The commies apparently do not expect an immediate slump, because items on wage cuts, unemployment, lay-offs and other "the depression is already here" type of

news is way down 16th place on a par with attacks on industry and business. Naturally, whole pages were given over to reporting the N.Y. trial and almost verbatim reports of the defense lawyers' summations. This made the classification, communists in trouble, use up about twice the space devoted to the next two top leaders -- union matters and strikes and attacks on Tito.

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INCIDENTAL INTELLIGENCE

Subscribers to LOUIS ADAMIC'S newsletter, "TRENDS & TIDES", have just begun to receive material from Tito's Telegraphic Agency in New York. As the names of some of these subscribers are "keyed" or coded in a special manner it would be utterly impossible for anyone to have gotten these particular names from any source other than the mailing list of ADAMIC'S newsletter. In other words along with JO DAVIDSON and several other veteran Stalinoid fellow travelers, Louis apparently has gone Titoite.

The most recent issue of WORLD AFFAIRS, organ of the AMERICAN PEACE SOCIETY, founded in 1828, lists among the Directors:

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A Chinese version of the Cominform periodical, FOR A LASTING PEACE -- FOR A PEOPLES DEMOCRACY, will shortly make its appearance in Peiping,

The best account of the "peoples guards" (commy goons) at ROBESON'S famous Peekskill "concert" appeared in the party line JEWISH LIFE for October. Two guards give complete, first hand accounts of the military mobilization, arming, dispositions, skirmishes, etc. Their deathless heroism and iron morale, self-admitted, is quite impressive.

The All China Art and Literature Workers Association and the All China Association of Musicians in Peiping know all about Peekskill. They have just cabled their protest against these "criminal acts of American fascist gangs in breaking up a concert of the talented singer, PAUL ROBESON."

Marcel Cachin, octogenarian French commy recently received a stickpin with two large diamonds set in a sickle and hammer on the occasion of his 80th birthday. The presentation was made by adoring Belgian comrades. This simple proletarian ceremony deeply embarrassed our own dearly beloved ELIZABETH GURLEY FLYNN, who had been sent to Paris to represent the American tovarischi. She regretted as "representative of the rich and prosperous U.S."

that she had come across the Atlantic empty handed. However, red Lizzy, explained to Cachin's wife that the American branch of Stalin's Fifth Column was preparing a photograph album full of pictures of the eleven C. P. leaders on trial in New York. As a true son of Stalin and humble proletarian, old Cachin obviously would rather have a picture book than a gaudy and trashy bourgeois diamond stickpin.

THINGS ARE TOUGH ALL OVER DEPARTMENT. Europe is full of wretched and homeless D.P.s, but all Legionnaires should shed a tear for the latest crop whose present position and future is most dolorous. These are the commy refugees from Titoslovakia who got across the border just two jumps ahead of Tito's secret police. No one in Europe wants them -- and, unkindest cut of all -- not even the benign and supreme benefactor of all true commies, the great Vozhd and leader, Stalin. Uncle Joe apparently does not trust his own boys; at least he does not want any of them in Russia. Interior Minister Scelba of Italy welcomed these commy D.P.s with open arms, that is to say, open jail doors. He already has two million homegrown Kremlin Gremlins on his neck and can't absorb anymore.

Smart boys "in the know" in New York claim that the Soviets dropped book salesman Earl Browder because they suspected him of dickering with Tito. New York gossip has it that the former head of the C.P. USA will shortly be invited to Yugoslavia and formally offered the branch managership of Tito's dissident American communists. WILLIAM S. GAILMORE, a notorious fellow traveller and Henry Wallace's fund-collecting manager is in Belgrade filing extremely sympathetic dispatches about Tito to the N.Y. Post and Home News. JO DAVIDSON, bewhiskered commy fronter, is doing a bust of Tito and has publicly announced his conversion to Titoism. Titoism is also reported as beginning to split wide open the heretofore solid ranks of the American fellow travellers and communist sympathizers and stooges.

The C. P. is primarily circulating a list of all belled commies in order to warn the faithful against these nefarious scoundrels and to freeze them out of their jobs and to isolate them as pest-bearers from loyal and devoted Stalinists. The list is hard to get hold of.

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#### COMMUNISTS IN THE ENTERTAINMENT FIELDS

Button, button, who has the button, is now being played with frenzied earnestness by jittery commies in radio and video, only their little game is "Blacklist, blacklist -- who has a copy of the blacklist?" As previously reported in this Summary, one WILLIAM SWEETS, formerly director of GANGBUSTERS and COUNTERSPY, was recently dropped by his employers due to "force majeure" allegedly applied to them by the sponsors of the two shows, Pepsi-Cola and General Foods. Both companies acted because of protest letters received by them from radio listeners to their programs. As a result of this action the Legion National Convention at Philadelphia passed formal resolutions commending these two companies for getting Mr. Sweets off the air. A whole flock of "investigations" were started within a matter of hours by agitated commies in a position to sway or influence various broadcasting unions and guilds including the RADIO AND TELEVISION DIRECTORS GUILD of which Mr. SWEETS was president until last December when he resigned rather than sign a Taft-Hartley non-communist affidavit. Mr. Sweets was reported as having said that he did not believe in signing silly little pieces of paper to make silly little people happy. In a VOICE OF FREEDOM leaflet entitled BLACKLIST - First Report, SWEETS says, "...And I do not intend, at the request of some sponsors, to give up my sponsorship of meetings such as this, of May Day parades -- or of World Peace."

The commies and their dupes naturally screamed "Moider" and started combing the industry for the "blacklist". As a very important article on communist infiltration and activity in the radio field in the October issue

of The Sign point out, the only blacklist that operated in radio broadcasting was the vast and far-reaching one used by the Stalinists to punish their enemies by boycotting and harrying out of the industry most of the known and outspoken anti-Communists. Guilty of this form of economic terrorization for many years, the commies now quite logically assume that their enemies must be using a similar "blacklist." Unfortunately there is no such blacklist although all Americans will heartily agree that radio sponsors owed that elementary responsibility to their listeners years ago. There are still literally hundreds of known and admitted communists, crypto-communists, near-communists, and fellow travellers in the industry, many of them in key spots and earning salaries up to \$3,000 per week. With the conviction of the eleven top leaders of the Communist Party last week on charges of criminal conspiracy it is high time that all radio sponsors and others, responsible for hiring radio talent in any capacity whatever, check up on the backgrounds of everyone connected in any manner whatever with their radio programs and save themselves some bad headaches before mass protests of radio listeners begin to pour in. Ignorance of the law is generally accepted as no excuse, and ignorance of the treasonable and un-American background of a whole motley crew of notorious radio stinkers and perennial fellow travellers can no longer be offered as any bona fide excuse. Most certainly not now after the criminal conspiracy nature of communism has been proved in court.

Americans traditionally dislike boycotts and blacklists. Their use is essentially un-American. But at this late stage of the cold war Americans and particularly Legionnaires and members of the Auxiliary are getting more than fed up with indirectly contributing to and supporting the Communist Party three or four steps removed through intermediaries -- buying a commercial product or service, from books, movies and radio programs to anything sold by advertising and then learning that notorious

commies and near-traitors received part of their money as writers, actors, etc., at vastly inflated salaries and royalties and that these pinkos and swimming-pool and caviar proletarians in turn kicked back sizeable proportions of their incomes to straight C.P. causes and fronts.

It is notorious today that few if any funds dribble through to the American C.P. from Russia. Total dues and contributions squeezed out of a shrinking C.P. membership, while admittedly a respectable sum, is only a drop in the bucket of the estimated twenty-five to thirty millions dollars annually spent by the C.P.U.S.A. and all of its vast solar system of satellites and fronts. Communist controlled unions admittedly make heavy indirect contributions but experts today are in general agreement that the main source of income disbursed by Stalin's Fifth Column in this country comes from wealthy nit-wits and from vastly overpaid artists, actors, entertainers, writers, pseudo-intellectuals, and other decadent riff-raff of the cultural front, many of them of mediocre talent who were boosted into their respective fields by strategically placed Communists. Their entirely synthetic reputations were blown up literally overnight by the C.P.'s far-reaching and efficient publicity machine.

As these people in the main had no inherited fortunes or money of their own it is self-evident that whatever sums they contribute to organized treason in this country comes out of our pockets -- in other words out of the money the vast mass of Americans paid for products, services, books, magazines, theatre, movies, radio, etc. With the conviction of the top C.P. leadership it must be obvious that all Americans from now on will want to put an end to indirect financing of this conspiracy on our soil, financed with our money.

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#### WHAT YOU CAN DO

Now here's WHAT YOU CAN DO TO COMBAT COMMUNISM -- In the future when you see the name of any known or cited fellow traveller on a radio



program, movie, magazine list of authors, or anywhere MAKE A LOUD SQUAWK BY PERSONAL LETTER OF PROTEST, POST OR DEPARTMENT RESOLUTION, TELEPHONE CALL, OR ANY OTHER EFFECTIVE MEANS. THIS SUMMARY EACH MONTH WILL SUPPLY THE NAMES, PRO-C.P. AFFILIATIONS AND BACKGROUNDS, AND COMMERCIAL COMPANY SPONSORS OF SOME OF THE WORST OF THESE CHARACTERS. THE REST IS UP TO YOU. DON'T CALL THEM COMMUNISTS, SUBVERSIVES OR ANYTHING ELSE. JUST SAY THAT AS A PURCHASER OF THE SPONSOR'S GOODS OR SERVICES YOU STRONGLY OBJECT TO SO-AND-SO ON THEIR RADIO PROGRAM, SHOW, MOVIE, OR WHATEVER. YOU CAN'T LICK COMMUNISM WITH AN ANNUAL RESOLUTION OR A FEW DENUNCIATORY SPEECHES OR BY HARBORING VIRTUOUS AND STRONG ANTI-COMMUNIST FEELINGS AND MORAL INDIGNATION. THE FINANCIAL ROOTS OF THIS EVIL CONSPIRACY MUST BE DUG OUT, EXPOSED TO PUBLIC EXAMINATION AND CHOPPED OFF BEFORE THE WHOLE DEADLY NIGHTSHADE TREE CAN BE BROUGHT CRASHING DOWN. MANY LEGIONNAIRES IN THE PAST FEW YEARS HAVE ASKED FOR SUGGESTIONS AS TO WHAT THEY CAN DO TO COMBAT COMMUNISM. THERE IS A BIG HOUSE-CLEANING JOB TO BE DONE IN THE ENTERTAINMENT FIELD. LET'S GO!

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#### COMMUNISTS IN THE LABOR MOVEMENT

For twenty-five years communists have "bored from within", bored from without, slaved and connived, intrigued and double-crossed, lied and cheated, bluffed and betrayed, and exploited every wile of commy cunning and low skulduggery to capture the American labor movement, or at least a strategically important segment thereof. They reached the apex of their Muscovite influence a couple of years ago with well over a million workers in thrall, in twelve C.I.O. unions and wielding considerable influence in a number of other C.I.O. and A.F.L. unions embracing several hundred thousand more workingmen. Like proverbial beggars on horseback they soon started to ride their steeds to death. The sun of Stalin's countenance is now starting to set, but definitely in the C.I.O. and may in fact be entirely eclipsed at Cleveland on October 31st.

Labor specialists are still divided in opinion and speculation as to what will happen at the Cleveland C.I.O. Convention. The battle royal has been building up to a tension point for several years. One crisis was reached at the International Executive Board meeting of the C.I.O. in Washington, D. C., last May. The lefties began forming their battle lines last August by calling a typical commy "Conference for Democracy and Autonomy" in New York. The thousand odd delegates, in typical Nazi-Communist "Ja!" fashion, voted almost unanimously to remain in the C.I.O. and to fight all efforts to oust them. Nevertheless some experts on Communism feel that the Soviets are almost bound to order their American henchmen out of the C.I.O. in order to set up a branch of the WORLD FEDERATION of TRADE UNIONS in this country so as to have under their control, for cold war purposes, a sizeable segment of American labor tightly organized as an operational base.

Despite Murray's brave words, of going ahead and fearlessly expelling Stalin's Fifth Column unless the commies capitulate and agree in the future to conform to C.I.O. policy, cynics and wiseacres point out that the C.I.O. chieftain has a costly and tricky steel strike on his hands to settle and that he is bound to think twice, if not several times, before kicking out eleven internationals with roughly 600,000 per capita dues payers. A million or more dollars a year income is nothing to sneeze at. The comrades of the Moscow front similarly have issued all sorts of dire threats and fiery manifestoes breathing last-ditch-fight defiance, but informed Leninist-Stalinist students familiar with the C.P.'s history and policy on the trade union question feel that the whole question of dual unionism (in this case it would actually be triple unionism) was thrashed out and settled for good in the Seventh World Congress of the COMINTERN at Moscow in 1935. Lenin laid down the inflexible maxim that revolutionaries never allow themselves to be segregated or isolated from the main stream of labor

and that even if they were ousted they were to use deception, dissimulation and every other trick and ruse to crawl back in again.

The C.I.O. News writer and Daily Worker labor columnist GEORGE MORRIS have been slinging mud at each other hot and heavily for months. Of late the tirades and invective have reached the sulphur and brimstone degree of super-heated language. Even the Moscow radio joined the fray, uninvited, by calling Pres. Murray a "traitor" and accusing him of selling out his workers to the steel trust and imperialist war-mongers.

The U.S. convention at Cleveland, with typical communist gall and audacity, voted to deliver an ultimatum on the C.I.O. right wing leadership consisting of six "demands". Locals "raided" away from the U.E. (they actually seceded to get out from under communist control) were to be returned to the U.E. C.I.O. unions accepting such fugitives from the U.E. were to cease and desist or have charges brought against them. C.I.O. regional directors, organizers and others who in any way participated in such alleged "raiding" would be fired off the C.I.O. payroll. C.I.O. Secretary-Treasurer James Carey to be disciplined and ordered to "cease and desist" from further "wrecking activities in the U.E." The National C.I.O. to deliver each month, to the U.E., a detailed breakdown of expenses and further, to give assurances that C.I.O. employees in the future would cease interfering in U.E. internal affairs. The Resolution added: "In the event the Executive Board does not receive these assurances from the president of the C.I.O., this convention authorizes the board (U.E.) to withhold per capita tax to the C.I.O. for such a time as it deems necessary for the protection of the interests of the U.E." That the C.I.O. leadership will utterly reject or refuse even to examine such an insulting ultimatum goes without saying.

The U.E. convention rode roughshod over the right wing, headed by James Carey, although its previous lop-sided majorities were badly shrunk this year to majorities of a bare hundred or more votes out of a total of

3500 delegates. The U.E. convention also passed an amendment to the constitution empowering the communist-controlled national executive board to hold trials and expel members previously liable to union trial only before their own locals. This was obviously a move to facilitate the ruthless purging of right wing leaders before the national C.I.O. convention October 31st. It also adopted a national executive board statement branding Carey and his right wing associates as "traitors." U.E. officials who had previously refused to sign Taft-Hartley law affidavits denying C.P. membership were instructed by the convention to sign, thus falling into line with other communist-controlled unions on this question. For the first time in C.I.O. history official C.I.O. photographers were barred from taking pictures. The comrades are getting very camera shy and have apparently reverted to Lenin's pre-revolutionary practice of never permitting group pictures.

President Murray and his right wing high command met in Pittsburgh on October 12 to map final strategy for the convention ousting of the lefties. The C.I.O. Executive Board meets in Cleveland one week prior to the opening of the convention and final strategy and procedures will then be ironed out.

The October 4th issue of the Daily Worker contained a long article by JOHN WILLIAMSON, top labor commissar of the C.P. and one of the eleven convicted Politburo members, laying down the party line on the tacky "To split or not to split — that is the question." WILLIAMSON, with typical commy modesty, gave the C.P. all credit for boosting organized labor's strength in this country from two and a half million to sixteen million in the last twenty-five years. After a lengthy diatribe accusing the C.I.O. leadership of the usual calendar of sins and crimes, the C.P. labor boss states:

"Today, when the interests of the American people demand peace, security, and the extension of democracy, anything that weakens the trade unions and the workers as the backbone of the struggle against monopolies and pro-fascist forces would be a

crime. THE SPLITTING OF THE C.I.O. AND THE RESULTANT ESTABLISHMENT OF A SO-CALLED THIRD TRADE UNION CENTER WOULD BE INJURIOUS AND WOULD WEAKEN THE FIGHTING POWER OF ALL LABOR. (emphasis in the original)....

"We are against splits, against secessions, and against expulsion."

All differences, Williamson argues, must be resolved inside the framework of the C.I.O. The rest of Williamson's article is a typical example of conmy blustering and bluff bristling with charges and false accusations but covering an apparent change of heart and intense desire to remain inside the C.I.O.

NATIONAL MARITIME UNION. The seventh biennial N.M.U. convention ended on September 26 after two stormy weeks of bitterest wrangling. This is a real parliamentary union where every seaman-delegate can recite Roberts Rules of Order, forward and backward, and knows a few parliamentary tricks that Roberts did not foresee. The convention, from the opening banging of Joe Curran's gavel to the last hectic session, was a parliamentary bedlam which astonished even veteran union members. After a week of bitter squabbling the convention voted in the future to bar Nazis, Fascists, and Communists from membership. An inexplicable switch of a few votes then turned down the president's recommendation that Communists presently in the N.M.U. be expelled. A later proposal, to refer this question to a membership referendum, was narrowly passed with many of the non-communist anti-Curran opposition howling in protest, along with the commies, at the tally of the extremely close vote. The resolution, against permitting communists to remain members of the union they created in 1936 and controlled lock, stock and barrel for eleven years, charged them with "using every dirty method to disrupt the unity of the union by pitting race against race, distributing lying anonymous literature, and attempting to seize control of the union by any illegal means."

Another resolution, pledging to defend the United States against any

and all enemies including the Soviet Union, was passed by a vote of 316 to 65. The latter figure represents the remnants of the solid, hard core of communists and a sprinkling of Trotzkyites, anarchists and un-affiliated radicals. H. B. Warner, Negro vice president of this important maritime union, received the loudest cheers when he stated simply: "There is no doubt in my mind that I'll be on an American ship in the event of war with Russia and I want to know who my shipmates will be. At the moment I wouldn't feel too comfortable with men like Lawrenson and others speaking as they have." Lawrenson is a former communist who formed the original anti-communist caucus three years ago which drove the commissars from power in the union. Warner had fought in Spain in the notorious ABRAHAM LINCOLN BRIGADE which was estimated to be about 60% communist.

A surprise move by Curran, on one of the last days of the convention, caught the opposition unprepared and five former big-wig commies found themselves expelled for life from the very union they had founded. The convention very nearly turned into a riot as alert commies sprang to the defense of their five comrades and exerted every trick in the red bag to delay and confuse the vote on expulsion. After the vote carried, former National Secretary FERDINAND SMITH, JOSEPH STACK, PAUL PALAZZI, HOWARD MCKENZIE, and ANTHONY LUCIO found themselves on the outside looking in. SMITH, a West Indian Negro illegally in this country, faces deportation. At least three recognizable anti-Curran factions emerged from the convention, the Independent caucus composed of former communists with some admixture of Trotzkyites and other radicals, a well defined communist clique, and a third indeterminate group opposed to both these factions as well as to the Curranites. The motion to adjourn the convention was carried by a margin of three votes, 286 to 283.

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C.P. FRONTS and MISCELLANEOUS

The CIVIL RIGHTS CONGRESS will stage another "march" on Washington, October 27, to protest the conviction of eleven top C. P. leaders.

The CHURCHMAN, edited by GUY EMERY SHIPLER, unlike wine does not improve with age. Advertised as one of the oldest religious publications in the U.S., its editorials and slanted news items would most certainly never be blue-penciled by the city editor of the Daily Worker. A cursory examination of several recent issues reveals no discernible departure from its established pattern of, virulent anti-Catholicism, boosting of notorious red fronts as if they were innocent and patriotic endeavors, long apologies for such characters as the MELISHES of Brooklyn previously covered in this Summary, attacks on any and all anti-Communist legislation including New York's recent Feinberg Bill, the straight party line on le affaire Peekskill, laudatory coverage of the commy-inspired WORLD YOUTH FESTIVAL at Budapest, and of course loving and tender endorsement of the phony AMERICAN CONTINENTAL CONGRESS FOR PEACE at Mexico City.

The CHURCHMAN's high impartiality and lofty sense of editorial ethics is beautifully demonstrated by quoting unimportant items from the Rev. Dan Poling's speech on the China question before the American Legion's Philadelphia convention. The most powerful arguments and high points of Dr. Poling's stirring address are deftly emasculated. Then a "Rev. JAMES G. ELLIOTT", alleged editor of a CANADIAN FAR EASTERN NEWSLETTER and leading Stalinoid speaker at the recent Mexico City hootenanny, is given several columns of CHURCHMAN space to refute and demolish Dr. Poling's address. The Rev. ELLIOTT has a very low opinion of General MacArthur, Chennault and Chiang Kai Shek. As a former missionary in China he also has a solution for the problem of maintaining and spreading Christianity in communist China. "The only way that Christianity in Asia can escape a hostile reaction to it is to come to terms with the Revolution." That

obviously is where Cardinal Mindszenty, the Protestant Lutheran bishops of Hungary, the Fifteen martyred Protestant clergymen of Rumania and Bulgaria, Archbishop Stepinac of Yugoslavia, and all the oppressed and persecuted religious leaders of Iron Curtain countries made their big mistake -- they should have come to terms with the Revolution. The CHURCHMAN is really quite a paper!

JUDITH COPLON and VALENTIN GUBICHEV, her former Russian boy friend and "author-literary agent", go on trial for espionage in New York on November 9. GUBICHEV rejected the court's offer of counsel on the grounds that he was not a criminal and therefore did not need a lawyer.

The Detroit treatment. PAUL ROBESON came to Detroit on October 9th to "sing." He sang at the Forest Club which was the center of a serious race riot several years ago. Detroit police counted 1750 at the Forest Club, mostly colored, and about 1,000 at the second "concert" at the Shiloh Baptist Church. The collection was very poor. Detroit newspapers gave ROBESON the G.L.K. SMITH silent treatment by a practically total news blackout on his coming. All Legionnaires were warned by Department Commander Barry to keep away from the ROBESON meetings. ROBESON'S Chicago meetings also were bad flops -- by simple process of all Americans staying away both as spectators or hecklers.

AMERICAN CIVIL LIBERTIES UNION and the UNITARIAN FELLOWSHIP FOR SOCIAL JUSTICE have jointly filed a brief, with the U.S. Supreme Court, challenging the authority and constitutionality of the House Un-American Activities Committee and the congressional resolution creating this committee. The two organizations urged the high court to review the convictions of DALTON TRUMBO and JOHN HOWARD LAWSON for contempt of Congress on the ground that the Constitution prohibits Congress from making any law compelling witnesses to reveal their private opinions. They further charged the House Committee had authorized investigations of matters beyond the powers of Congress to investigate.



## QUIPS AND BITS -- THE LIGHTER SIDE

The Communist government of Czechoslovakia has outlawed stamp-collecting as a "jungle of racketeers." Hereafter the sale and distribution of postage stamps will become a government monopoly, including the importation and export of used stamps so dear to the hearts of boys and philatelists.

Combies often show a high, if somewhat misdirected, talent for satirical humor. In reporting on an alleged loyalty oath proposed for all M-G-M employees, the West Coast PEOPLES WORLD comes up with its own version of an ideal M-G-M loyalty oath:

"I pledge allegiance to Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer and to the profits for which it stands -- one board of directors unimpeachable -- with pink slips and relief rolls for all who dare to criticize its perfection."

Arch Farch is a literary creation of Daily Worker columnist TED TINSLEY. The combos in New York have been taking quite a roasting on their curious decision not to run a candidate this year for U. S. Senator. With typical combo humor Arch Farch recently cleared up this mystery:

"The C.P. has endorsed neither candidate. This position is far too simple and too straight forward for the intellectual corkscrews of the local press. They are telling the people what the C.P. position really is.

"Theory Number One has it that the Communists forced the A.L.P. not to enter a candidate so that Lehman would beat Dulles. We have a secret campaign in which we go around whispering, 'Vote for Lehman!' Our purpose in this is to spread the pernicious idea of the Welfare State and thereby soften the people for Communism.

"Theory Number Two is rather similar to Theory Number One. Theory Number Two says that the Communists forced the A.L.P. and Wallace not to enter the senatorial race so that Dulles can win. Obviously, if we have no candidate, Dulles will romp in, praying for the welfare of his Hungarian spies. We want Dulles to win because he will create chaos. Following the chaos, Lehman will win the next election, spread the Welfare State, and pave the way for Communism. It's all horribly clear.

"Theory Number Three has it that we were once contemplating running a candidate named Calvert's in the hope that everyone would switch.

"The main issue, according to Republican and Democrat campaign managers who have been able to scrape together only one idea between them, will be: whom are the Communists secretly supporting?

"We must answer this question. We are secretly supporting the candidacy of Arch Farch, secretary of the Carrot Division of the Vegetarian Party. Farch will run under an invisible party label depicting a head of lettuce in revolt. You will find him entered on Line Q of the voting machine. This line is not on the machine proper, but underneath it. If you see anyone, on election day, crawling under the machine to vote, you will know it is a Communist casting his ballot for Farch.

"The Party's reasoning is clear. If Farch wins, and the people must eat nothing but vegetables, the meat eaters will revolt. In the ensuing chaos Dulles will come to power, only to be replaced by Lehman who will open the doors of his bank and let in the Cominform.

"Even if a metropolitan journalist wanted to write the obvious truth that the Communists support neither Lehman nor Dulles, and will vote for neither, the Madam wouldn't let him print such a story."

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#### THE CRACKPOT RIGHT, K.K.K. NATIVE FASCISTS

G. L. K. SMITH'S CHRISTIAN NATIONALIST CRUSADE held its second annual convention in Kiel Auditorium, St. Louis, September 27th to 30th. A staff member of the National Americanism Commission covered most of the sessions excepting those, of an exclusive inner circle business nature, where outsiders would be instantly spotted. The hall which seats 500 was never more than half full. The St. Louis papers and others gave it the customary silent treatment. Eleven or twelve of G.L.K. Smith's most trusted disciples sat on the platform. These included JOHN HAMILTON, EMORY BURKE, DON LOHBECK, GEORGE VOSS, DANIEL CURT, STEVE THORENSKY, PHIL DAVIS, and several others whose correct names it was impossible to catch or jot down as note-taking was officially frowned upon because Smith bellowed frequently "of some spies in the audience." Smith warned pointedly to watch for people taking notes. He also threatened to have disruptors tossed out the window.

Smith's hour and a half rambling diatribe contained little of anything new that he had not already reeled off at previous Christian Nationalist

meetings. Same old stuff -- same old delivery. The same sensational "surprise" speaker, General MOSELY, was rung in. Christian Nationalism was gaining adherents all over the U.S. by leaps and bounds, the raptured audience was told. They were not told why the turnout this year was even smaller than it was last year and why an organization boasting of tens of thousands of members could only muster 250 at an annual convention with the overwhelming number of even this handful obviously of local origin.

KU KLUX KLAN. The South seems to be making considerable headway in putting this hooded order out of business or at least into widespread disrepute. Instead of one Invisible Empire there now appears to be half a dozen tinpot imitations of the original nightshirt order. Several Imperial Wizards are now at loggerheads as to who is truly the Supreme Exalted Poo Bah of the nightshirt brigade. While claiming as many as 250,000 members one of these splinter K.K.K.s was unable to scare up only fifty members to march in a protest parade against the arrest of their chief WILLIAM U. MORRIS. A Northerner who spent eight years in the South fighting bigotry and racial intolerance recently reported to the B'nai B'rith, a Jewish fraternal order, that the K.K.K., despite sensational news yarns, is now definitely on the wane and largely a myth in many southern states. Alexander F. Miller, an official of the Anti-Defamation League, told New York B'nai B'rith members that the North has been getting a completely distorted and exaggerated picture of the importance of the Klan and the South's attitude towards it. Mr. Miller said that the K.K.K. amounted to practically nothing outside of Georgia and certain areas in Florida, and that it is becoming more and more fragmentized. Mr. Miller stated:

"Southerners were amazed and annoyed to read how the North suddenly glorified a crackpot because a few guys met in a hotel room and decided to appoint him Imperial Emperor of the non-existent Knights of the Ku Klux Klan of America, Inc. The press is so sensitized to the K.K.K. that a couple of hoodlums who burn a cross get national publicity. That is not bad in itself but it gives the wrong perspective."

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In addition to various contacts and sources of information, governmental and private, Russian broadcasts, translations of PRAVDA, and other material, the following publications are received and scrutinized for suitable excerpts for this Summary.

A.F.L. Weekly News Service

A.C.A. NEWS

C.I.O. NEWS

COMMITTEE REPORTER, Am. Jewish Committee

CROSS and FLAG

DAILY WORKER

COMMON SENSE

FOURTH INTERNATIONAL

ECONOMIC NOTES

FRATERNAL OUTLOOK

INTELLIGENCE DIGEST

INDUSTRIAL WORKER (I.W.W.)

LABOR ACTION

LABOR LEADER

MILITANT

LABOR OBSERVER

NATIONAL REPUBLIC

NEW REPUBLIC

NEW YORK TIMES

NEW YORK NOTES

PEOPLES WORLD

SLAVIC AMERICAN

SCIENCE & SOCIETY

ALERT, a newsletter

COUNTER-ATTACK, a newsletter

COUNTER-ACTION, a newsletter

CHURCHMAN

COMMENTATOR

COMPASS

FOREIGN POLICY REPORTS

ECONOMIC INTELLIGENCE

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IN FACT

KOREAN PACIFIC PRESS

LABOR

MARCH OF LABOR

MASSES & MAINSTREAM

NATIONAL GUARDIAN

NEW LEADER

NEW INTERNATIONAL

NEW YORK WORLD-TELEGRAM

PLAIN TALK

SOCIALIST CALL

POLITICAL AFFAIRS

NEW TIMES

TURNING POINT

WORLD AFFAIRS BULLETIN

WORK

U.S.S.R. INFORMATION BULLETIN

LITHUANIAN BULLETIN

U.S. NEWS and WORLD REPORT

SOVIET RUSSIA TODAY

WAGE EARNER

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January 10, 1950

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TOLSON  
MR. NICHOLS

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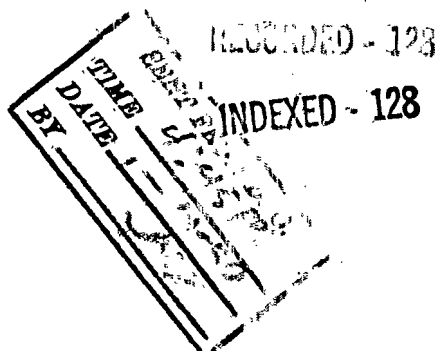
Alexander Campbell called me today from Fort Wayne, Indiana, and advised he was talking for George Craig, National Commander of the American Legion. He stated Craig is a classmate, fraternity brother and close personal friend of his. He advised the Legion plans to have some sort of institute or seminar in the Middle West, probably in Chicago, or maybe at their National Headquarters in Indianapolis sometime in the next month or two regarding their national drive and their program for Americanism. Mr. Campbell stated George Craig had asked him to call me and request that I appear on the program and discuss whatever I cared to in the field of subversive activities. I suggested that when the time draws near and they have set a date, if they would let me know I would check and see what my commitments at that time are and see if I can work it in or not. I explained to him that my commitments at present are rather heavy with Congress in session and the appropriation hearings coming up soon. Mr. Campbell stated he would have the National Commander write me when a date had been sent.

Very truly yours,

*J. Edgar Hoover*  
John Edgar Hoover  
Director

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Mr. Clegg \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Glavin \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Ladd \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Nichols \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Rosen \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Tracy \_\_\_\_\_  
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Mr. Gurnea \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Harbo \_\_\_\_\_  
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TO : Mr. Tolson

FROM : L. B. Nichols

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DATE: January 9, 1950



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Karl Baarslag, the Washington representative of the American Legion, called late Friday afternoon. The national commander of the American Legion has called a conference of 100 mass organizations in New York for January 28 and 29, to consider the problem of Communism and how to combat it. He said they had secured General Bedell Smith, Monsignor Sheen, Dan Tobin, George Sokolsky and others to appear on the program; that through some oversight they had not invited the Director and the program would not be complete without the Director.

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I told Baarslag that it would not be possible for the Director to participate; that he has not been accepting invitations as he is extremely pressed with hearings and various court cases. Baarslag argued this would be on a Saturday or Sunday. I told him that from a working standpoint the Director knows no Saturdays or Sundays.

I told him later that I had checked and we had no formal invitation to attend or participate.

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cc: Mr. Jones

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## Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Mr. Ladd

DATE: January 16, 1950

FROM : L. R. Pennington

SUBJECT:



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National

This afternoon I received a telephone call from Assistant National Adjutant Leonce Legendre of the American Legion inquiring as to whether it would be possible to speak to the Director concerning the conference to be held in New York City beginning January 28th to discuss the means by which Communism could be combatted. After talking with Mr. Nichols I called Mr. Nease and he advised me the Director would not be available and I so informed Mr. Legendre. A few minutes later he called me back and inquired as to whether Mr. Hoover would be available tomorrow as the National Commander would be here and had to go up on the Hill part of the day. Subsequent to that National Commander George N. Craig phoned me direct and stated that he had spoken to Alex Campbell some time ago about the Director speaking at this conference in New York, Craig being under the impression that Campbell would break the ground in making the approach for Mr. Hoover to speak. Craig stated that is where he made his mistake in not contacting the Director personally as he now didn't believe Campbell had made any approach. He stated he didn't want to devil the Director and wanted the Director to distinctly understand he didn't want the Director to appear for window dressing purposes but felt that Mr. Hoover had something to tell the American people that no one else could. He stated there will be approximately 80 organizations at the conference, labor, management, veterans organizations, patriotic and civic organizations.

He asked in view of the fact that the Director could not be reached this afternoon if he could definitely secure an answer as to whether it would be possible for the Director to appear.

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ADDENDUM, LBN:FML, 1/16/50:

Since Mr. Pennington has to work with these people unless advised to the contrary, I will call the National Commander the first thing in the morning and advise him Mr. Pennington advised the Director of their request, that the Director is extremely sorry he was deprived of the pleasure of seeing the National Commander due to matters over which he has no control which keep him out of the office, that the Director is not accepting any speaking engagements, that he would like to help them as he is in sympathy with what they are trying to do but he is unable to work it into his program.

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**THE AMERICAN LEG  
NATIONAL HEADQUARTERS**

OFFICE OF THE  
NATIONAL COMMANDER  
INDIANAPOLIS 6, IND.

January 11, 1950

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Honorable J. Edgar Hoover  
Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation  
United States Department of Justice  
Washington, 25, D. C.

My dear Mr. Hoover:

Mr. Alex Campbell, former Assistant United States Attorney General, whom I delegated to contact you in my behalf asking your services as a speaker at our All-American Conference to be held in New York City on Sunday, January 29, advises me that you hope to be free of other commitments so that you can appear before the Conference. I indeed hope that you may find it possible to appear, for we have called to this Conference the representatives of large national organizations for the purpose of presenting a united front against Communism and of solidifying the stand of this large body of people behind the activities of government agencies which are endeavoring to combat the spread of Communism.

The acceptance of my invitation has been most gratifying. We are assured that such organizations as the American Federation of Labor, the Congress of Industrial Organizations, the U. S. Chamber of Commerce, the National Education Association, the Catholic Church, the Protestant churches and a host of civic, fraternal and veterans organizations will be officially represented, many of them by their respective heads.

It will be our purpose first to have Lt. Gen. Walter Bedell Smith and Mr. George Sokolsky present the background of Communism as it actually operates in the U. S. S. R. and as its tactics are planned in the United States. We then hope to have the fight against Communism presented by leaders in labor, in industry, in education, in federal government agencies, in Congress and in state legislatures.

We do hope that you will be able to be with us on Sunday morning, January 29, and to present the activities of the Federal Bureau of Investigation in attempting to cope with Communism. You are at liberty to present whatever phase of that activity which will be most conducive toward eliciting strong support for this work of the Federal Bureau of Investigation from the delegates. We hope that you will plan to present your case in some thirty to forty-five minutes, but you may have more time if you feel it is needed.

Please understand that you are invited to and welcome to the entire Conference which begins at 9:00 A.M., on the morning of January 28. You are particularly invited to be our guest at the Conference banquet which will be held in the South Garden Room of the Hotel Astor at 7:30 P.M. on Saturday evening, January 28.

I do most earnestly hope that you will find it possible to accept our invitation and to advise of your acceptance at an early date.

Sincerely yours,

GEORGE N. CRAIG  
National Commander

63 JAN 30 1950

*Tell him no.  
He waits till 2 weeks before meeting & after all other speakers have been invited before asking me.*

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Room 5744 1-17 1950

TO: ☒ Director  
☐ Mr. Ladd  
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☐ Mr. Glavin  
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Clyde Tolson

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Room 5744

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## Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Mr. Tolson

FROM : L. B. Nichols

SUBJECT:

DATE: January 20, 1950

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① I talked to the National Commander, George N. Craig, of the American Legion on January 17. I pointed out the Director had received his letter of January 11; that we also received the other calls; that the Director was exceedingly sorry he could not participate in the American Legion conference on January 28 and 29; that the notice given the Director was entirely too short and in view of the Director's interest in the American Legion he particularly regretted his inability to participate.

The National Commander was very apologetic and there is no doubt in my mind that he has a full realization as to why the Director is not participating.

LBN:hmc

cc: Mr. Jones

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# Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI

DATE: February 7, 1950

FROM : SAC, Los Angeles

SUBJECT: AMERICAN LEGION

## NATIONAL

For the Bureau's information, there are enclosed two photostatic copies of an outline that has recently been submitted to the Americanization Headquarters of the American Legion in Indianapolis from AL GUASTI, Commander, County Council of the American Legion at Los Angeles. GUASTI has informed an Agent of this office that he recently discussed such a possibility with the National Commander of the Legion during the latter's visit to this city, and he was reportedly receptive to this idea.

For the Bureau's information, QUASTI, who is head of the Anti-subversive Squad of the Sheriff's Office, has been mentioned from time to time as having connections with the gambling interests in this county and it is known that he is currently the subject of an inquiry by the Internal Revenue Bureau, and the rumor is that they have some very good information relative to income-tax irregularities on his part.

If additional information is received, the Bureau will be immediately advised concerning it.

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J. Edgar Hoover

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ENCLOSURE

## INTRODUCTION:

We in the American Legion feel that the time has come to direct our efforts in the capacity of a peacetime army for the purpose of undermining, exposing, and eventually annihilating Communism within the United States. We in the Legion know that the aim of the Communist movement is the formation of a Soviet America. The Communists feel confident that they can accomplish this because their organization is not a political one by nature but is a philosophy of life. The principles of the American Legion are also a philosophy and way of life; and it is our opinion that by organizing an active, functional, and operating organization within our own ranks we can successfully meet and beat the Communists at their own game. The two paramount factors of human enlightenment—truth and knowledge—provide the real defense against the Communist menace.

It is my opinion that an organization could and should be established within the American Legion to combat all subversive elements within the United States, and should be designed along the following pattern:

### I. ADMINISTRATION OF THE ANTI-SUBVERSIVE COMMITTEE OF THE LAW AND ORDER COMMISSION:

- A. This Committee should be administered by a Chairman named by the National Headquarters, who should be an outstanding person who has retired to civilian life from the military service—for example, "Wild Bill" Donovan. The duties



and responsibilities would be the receipt of, coordination, and dissemination of confidential information furnished the Committee by the various individuals heading a similar type organization upon the Department level. Also, it would be his duty and responsibility to maintain a complete and confidential file of such information.

## II. FUNCTIONS OF THE ANTI-SUBVERSIVE COMMITTEE OF THE LAW AND ORDER COMMISSION:

- A. This Committee would have the cooperation and guidance of the investigative arm of the Department of Justice, namely the Federal Bureau of Investigation, so that the information gathered would be disseminated without interference, duplication, or hindrance to any active investigation being conducted by any governmental agency regarding subversive or security matters.
- B. To receive, correlate, and disseminate all information coming from the lower levels covered in the following explanation. Information would originate at the Post level, travel to the District level, to the Area level, to the Department level, and eventually be forwarded to the Anti-Subversive Committee of the Law and Order Commission.
- C. The same method used for the selection of the administrator on the national level should be

employed in the selection of the coordinators at the Department, Area, District, and Post levels. The vertical lines of authority would be observed in both the receiving and disseminating of this information.

### III. SELECTION AND TRAINING OF COMMITTEE MEMBERS:

- A. Occupational level: Members selected to be informants should be from all walks of life - educational, political, economic, religious, and governmental.

Another important feature in the selection of these individuals is the background of nationality. Those with the ability to read and write foreign languages would be very desirable in the efficient functioning of this Committee.

Training: These individuals should undergo a thoro screening process which would literally carry them "from the cradle to the position of informant for the Committee". In conjunction, and at the conclusion of this screening process, these individuals would be thoroly trained by a responsible governmental agency along the lines of investigative principles.

One of the paramount factors that should be stressed is the confidential nature of these investigations.

IV. METHOD OF OPERATION OF COMMITTEE:

- A. Secrecy is the paramount factor. All information should be disseminated by the national spokesman. No information contained in the central file should be disclosed except by the national spokesman, whose main objective is the revealing of the activities, goals, movements, and personnel of the Communist Party.

V. CONCLUSION:

In conclusion, I believe that the words of Theodore Roosevelt are very apropos to the condition we are experiencing in this country at the present time:

"We have room in this country for but one flag, the Stars and Stripes, and we should tolerate no allegiance to any other flag, whether a foreign flag or the red flag or black flag. We have room for but one loyalty, loyalty to the United States."

THE AMERICAN LEGION  
NATIONAL HEADQUARTERS  
INDIANAPOLIS 6, IN.

January 20, 1950

MEMORANDUM TO: Department Commanders  
Department Adjutants  
Department Americanism Chairmen  
Department Security Chairmen  
Department Un-American Activities Chairmen

Subject: Joint Area National Security-Counter-Subversive  
Activities Conference

Resolution No. 45, adopted by the National Executive Committee, May 4-6, 1949, mandated joint National Security and Counter-Subversive Area Conferences.

The dates for and location of four Area Conferences are as follows:

Eastern (1) - Washington, D. C., February 10, 11, and 12  
Meeting Place - Washington Hotel  
Hotel Accommodations - Washington Hotel

Mid-Western (2) - Chicago, Illinois, February 17, 18, and 19  
Meeting Place - Hotel Bismark  
Hotel Accommodations - Hotel Bismark

Western (3) - Portland, Oregon, February 24, 25, and 26  
Meeting Place - Hotel Multnomah  
Hotel Accommodations - Hotel Multnomah

Southern (4) - Fort Worth, Texas, March 3, 4, and 5  
Meeting Place - Hotel Texas  
Hotel Accommodations - Hotel Texas

CONFERENCE PROGRAM

The first day of each three-day conference will be devoted to the National Security program. Counter-Subversive sessions will be conducted on the remaining two days. Complete information covering the Security-program phase of the Conference will be forthcoming from the National Defense Section of National Headquarters. The National Americanism Commission will furnish registration blanks which must be executed in advance by individuals attending the Counter-Subversive sessions.

WHO MAY ATTEND

The National Security sessions are open to any Legionnaire.

The Counter-Subversive sessions will be open only to Department officials and those Legionnaires actively engaged in combating subversive groups and movements. All registration blanks must be certified by the Department Adjutant. In addition to Legionnaires, Department Commanders and/or Adjutants may certify representatives from other groups and organizations who are themselves and for their organizations actively engaged in a counter-subversive program. We particularly urge that state legislators serving for Un-American or counter-subversive activity committees be invited and that peace officers specifically assigned to counter-subversive work be invited. FBI operatives will, upon identification, be admitted.

EXPENSES AND HOUSING

The expenses of the individuals attending a conference are the responsibility of the sponsoring organization or of the individual. We have secured special hotel rates at each Conference hotel.

Departments, counties, Posts, or individuals will make their own arrangements for defraying housing expenses. Hotel reservations should be handled directly with the Conference hotel.

MARTIN B. BUCKNER, Director  
National Security Commission

W. C. "TOM" SATYER, Director  
National Americanism Commission

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REGISTRATION BLANK FOR THE AMERICANISM DIVISION'S  
COUNTER-SUBVERSION AREA CONFERENCE

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Name \_\_\_\_\_ Age \_\_\_\_\_ Profession \_\_\_\_\_

Street Address \_\_\_\_\_ City & State \_\_\_\_\_

Graduate of Grade School \_\_\_\_\_ High School \_\_\_\_\_ College \_\_\_\_\_ Post No. \_\_\_\_\_

Experience (in years) in FBI \_\_\_\_\_ OSS \_\_\_\_\_ Naval Intell. \_\_\_\_\_ Army Intell. \_\_\_\_\_ Police \_\_\_\_\_

" " " in other investigative or counter-subversive work \_\_\_\_\_

" " " in Teaching, Lecturing, or Speaking \_\_\_\_\_

State here any other experience, study, or work you have done which you feel qualifies you for this course.

Check Conference To Be Attended --

WASHINGTON, February 11-12\_\_\_\_; CHICAGO, February 18-19\_\_\_\_; PORTLAND,  
February 25-26\_\_\_\_; FORT WORTH, March 4-5\_\_\_\_.

I certify on honor that I have never been and am not now a member of the Communist Party, the Nazi Bund, and Fascist or other subversive organizations except as hereinafter listed.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Applicant's Signature

Legion Membership, Residence, and Loyalty Certified By

\_\_\_\_\_  
Department Adjutant

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SAC, Boston

February 1, 1950

Director, FBI

TIMOTHY J. BUCKLEY  
DEPARTMENT SERVICE OFFICER  
AMERICAN LEGION OF MASSACHUSETTS  
RESEARCH

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Reurmemo of 1-27-50, advising of the proposed visit to our Headquarters by Mr. Timothy J. Buckley and Mr. Gordon B. French during their stay in Washington from February 5 to 9, 1950.

EX-9 Please inform Messrs. Buckley and French that it will be a distinct privilege to have them call at my office while they are in Washington. If I am not available to greet them personally, one of my assistants will be happy to do so and we shall be glad to arrange a tour of FBI facilities for these gentlemen.

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cc - Tour Room

cc - Mr. G. A. Nease, with copy of incoming

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## Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE: January 27, 1950

FROM : SAC, BOSTON

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SUBJECT: TIMOTHY J. BUCKLEY  
Department Service Officer  
American Legion of MassachusettsNational

From February 5 to 9, 1950, inclusive, there is to be held at the Hotel Statler, Washington, D.C., a nationally wide conference of Department Service Officers of the American Legion.

These officials are appointed by the American Legion in each state and act as liaison officers between the American Legion and the Veterans Administration in their respective states.

TIMOTHY J. BUCKLEY, the Department Service Officer of the American Legion of Massachusetts, who is a close personal friend of Special Agent [redacted] of this office, plans to attend this conference.

Recently, while talking with Agent [redacted] Mr. BUCKLEY indicated that while at Washington, he would like to make a tour of the Federal Bureau of Investigation Headquarters in Washington. Mr. BUCKLEY is not only highly respected as an officer of the American Legion in Massachusetts, but for many years, has served as an election official in the Town of Arlington, Massachusetts, where he resides.

Mr. BUCKLEY will be accompanied by GORDON B. FRENCH, who is the Assistant Department Service Officer of the American Legion of Hartford, Connecticut.

It is requested that when Mr. BUCKLEY and his friend call at the Bureau that they be given an opportunity to make a tour of the Bureau's facilities.

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## Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Mr. Ladd

DATE: February 24, 1950

FROM : L. R. Pennington

SUBJECT: AMERICAN LEGION -

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Mr. E. A. Tamm	
Mr. Clegg	
Mr. Glavin	
Mr. Ladd	✓
Mr. Nichols	
Mr. Rosen	
Mr. Tracy	
Mr. Carson	
Mr. Egan	
Mr. Gurnea	
Mr. Harbo	
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Mr. Nease	
Miss Holmes	
Miss Gandy	

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With reference to the attached memorandum dated February 7, 1950, from the Los Angeles Office relative to a plan which has been submitted to the Headquarters of the National Americanism Commission in Indianapolis by Al Guasti, you are advised that it will be necessary for this plan to be passed upon by the National Americanism Commission before being put in action. The Commission will not meet until approximately the first of May, and inasmuch as I am a member of that Commission I will be in a position to fight the adoption of any such move as contemplated by Guasti.

*Handwritten signatures and initials:*  
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L. R. Pennington  
R. C. [unclear]

ACTION TO BE TAKEN:

Refer to Security Division.

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## Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : A. H. Belmont

DATE: March 11, 1950

FROM : C. E. Hennrich

SUBJECT: DUNCAN PARIS

POST 1422

AMERICAN LEGION  
NEW YORK CITY

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PURPOSE:

To advise you of an article appearing in the New York World Telegram on March 11, with the headline, "Reds Rig Trap to Ensnare Truman." The article reported that a three-way conference telephone call will be placed at 7:00 P. M., Thursday, March 16, between New York, Moscow and Key West, for the purpose of arranging for President Truman and Stalin to arrange a conference.

DETAILS:

Special Agent [ ] advised on the afternoon of March 11, that the New York World Telegram of that date carried a headline as above. He said that the lead covered two-thirds of the front page, a complete column. The object of the three-way telephone conference was to give President Truman and Joseph Stalin an opportunity to talk about a peace conference.

The story continued that the State Adjutant General, Mr. Maurice Stember of Rockville Center, Long Island, stated that the Duncan Paris Post had no status whatever with the American Legion; that the American Legion was not interested in promoting such a conference and requested that anyone approached by this post contact him.

[ ] stated that Irvin Saypol of the United States Attorney's Office was supposed to have called the Department, who in turn was to have contacted the Bureau regarding this matter.

The New York Office has received no complaints regarding this matter and had no information other than that appearing in the press.

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I instructed [ ] to prepare a comprehensive teletype to the Bureau setting forth the highlights of the story and any indicative action.

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Ladd with a memo

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P. J. [ ]

OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR  
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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Mr. Ladd  
Mr. Nichols  
Mr. Rosen  
Mr. Tracy  
Mr. Harbo  
Mr. Fletcher  
Mr. Carson  
Mr. Winterrowd  
Mr. Pennington

Mr. Waikart  
Mr. Jones  
Mr. Callahan  
Mr. E. L. Edwards  
Mr. McGuire  
Mr. Mohr  
Mr. Cartwright  
Mr. Renneberger  
Mr. Nease  
Miss Gandy

Miss Holmes  
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Mr. Rosen	✓
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Mr. Harbo	✓
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Miss Gandy	✓

*Thatcher*  
*Jones*

## Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

094520

DATE: Feb. 21, 1950

FROM : SAC, PORTLAND

SUBJECT: AMERICAN LEGION WESTERN  
AREA CONFERENCE ON  
NAT'L SECURITY AND COUNTER  
ESPIONAGE ACTIVITIES  
PORTLAND, OREGON  
February 24, 25, 26, 1950

Enclosed herewith, for the Bureau's information are the following:

- (1) Memorandum dated February 17, 1950, by SAMUEL M. BOWE, Department Commander American Legion, Department of Oregon, 429 S.W. 4th Ave., Portland, Oregon.
- (2) Pamphlet entitled "National Security and the cold war" a program of the conference issued over signature of Commander SAMUEL M. BOWE.
- (3) Undated Memorandum "To all Law Enforcement Officers of Eleven Western States" over signature of CHARLES P. PRAY, Chief of Police, Portland, Oregon, Police Department.
- (4) "Registration blank for the Americanism Division's Counter-Subversion Area Conference", dated January 20, 1950.

The above pamphlets were called to the attention of this office today and because of the apparent wide spread circularization indicated among law enforcement agencies is being called to the attention of the Bureau and Offices in the Western states for information since inquiries may be received concerning them from Law Enforcement Officials.

For the information of auxiliary offices this conference is under the direction, supervision, and sponsorship of the American Legion. This is apparently one of four such conferences being held throughout the U.S. as indicated on the registration blank, the last of which conference is scheduled at Fort Worth, Texas on March 4, 5, 1950.

The program lists among the speakers representatives of the Army, Navy Air Force, Office of Secretary of Defense, BEN GITLOW former General Secretary of the Communist Party, American Legion Officials and others.

ENCLOSURE ATTACHED

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CC: Seattle (AMSD)  
San Francisco (AMSD)  
Los Angeles (AMSD)  
San Diego (AMSD)  
Phoenix (AMSD)  
Salt Lake City (AMSD)  
Denver (AMSD)  
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Albuquerque (AMSD)  
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Enc (4) to Bureau

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The registration blank in addition to other personal history data calls for experience ( in years ) in F.B.I., O.S.S, Naval Intelligence, Army Intelligence police, other investigative or Counter-subversive work.

The Portland Office is not participating or cooperating in this conference which is open to military reservists, police officers and certain other selected persons.

94-1-17998-890  
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## WHY:

The Hydrogen Bomb . . . increased tempo of the cold war . . . alarming infiltration of subversive activities into our government, educational system, and industry bring us face to face with imminent dangers of gravest magnitude that demand full comprehension, education and immediate attention.

You are urged to attend—or to be represented—at this vitally important Western Area Counter-Subversive and National Security Conference. The conference and seminars are sponsored by the American Legion in cooperation with National Security Armed forces and Civilian Personnel.

We assure you that the agenda of the conference deals with problems of utmost importance to our nation. The plans of action to be outlined are, in reality, action to preserve our security.

You are not expected to contribute toward the expense of the conference. Confirm your reservations to: American Legion, Multnomah hotel, Portland, Ore.

SAMUEL BOWE, Commander  
The American Legion  
Department of Oregon

# NATIONAL SECURITY

AND

# THE COLD WAR



YOU ARE A LEADER

LEARN THE FACTS

—HERE'S HOW



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## WHAT:

WESTERN AREA NATIONAL SECURITY  
and  
COUNTER SUBVERSIVE ACTIVITY CONFERENCE  
of  
THE AMERICAN LEGION

— SUBJECTS TO BE DISCUSSED —

Military affairs  
Merchant Marine  
Naval affairs  
Aeronautics  
The American Legion and Civil Defense  
The Hopley report  
Oregon Civil Defense plan  
Disaster relief—Red Cross agreement  
Ohio and Indiana Civil Defense plans  
Question period.  
The present World Communist crisis—what the cold war means.  
Background of the Communist movement, abroad and at home.  
The nature of the Communist conspiracy—how it works.  
Soviet espionage.  
Communism on the campuses.  
Communism in women's organizations.  
Communists in radio, movies, stage and television.  
The legal attack—what you can and cannot do.  
The legislative attack—what should and must be done at state levels.  
What you can do to combat Communism.

## WHERE:

MULTNOMAH HOTEL  
PORTLAND, OREGON

## WHEN:

FEBRUARY  
Friday 24th      Saturday 25th      Sunday 26th

## WHO:

Rear Adm. H. H. Good, USN, Commandant, 13th Naval District  
Brig. Gen. Robert A. McClure, USA, Commanding General  
Northern Military District  
Brig. Gen. Thomas O. Hardin, US Air Force, Washington, D. C.  
Col. Robert F. Harris, Headquarters, 4th Air Force  
Capt. A. D. Ayrault, USN, Chief of Staff, 13th Naval District  
The Hon. Douglas McKay, Governor of Oregon  
The Hon. Dorothy McCullough Lee, Mayor of the City of Portland  
Dr. Frank Munk, Recognized World Authority on Czechoslovakia  
Mr. James McCrory, office of Secretary of Defense  
Dr. J. B. Matthews, recognized outstanding authority on  
Communist Front Organizations  
Mr. A. W. Gatov, president, Pacific American Steamship Assn.  
Mr. Ben Gillow, founder Communist party, USA, former  
General Secretary of the Communist party  
Mr. L. Kerley, former FBI Espionage Investigator  
Mr. Richard F. Gordon, Pacific Area District Relief chairman,  
American Red Cross  
Mr. Martin Buckner, director of National Defense  
Mr. W. C. Sawyer, director Americanism, American Legion  
Mr. Karl Barrslag, director Subversive Activity Research  
Mr. Niel Allen, chairman, Civil Defense committee



THE AMERICAN LEGION

DEPARTMENT OF OREGON

7TH FLOOR GEN'L GEO. A. WHITE BLDG.  
439 S. W. FOURTH AVE.  
PORTLAND 4, OREGON

February 17, 1950

You have been selected as one of a limited number  
to attend the most important discussion in America.

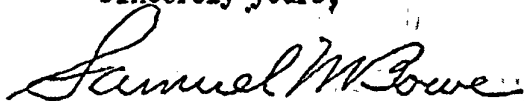
Thousands of dollars are being spent to bring  
America's foremost authorities to you.

Learn first-hand the truth about the greatest  
threat in history.

READ the enclosed pamphlet...STUDY it and wire your  
invitation acceptance NOW. Wire American Legion Multnomah  
Hotel, Portland, Oregon

Awaiting your reply, I am,

Sincerely yours,



SAMUEL M. BOWE  
Department Commander

P.S.

Special rate: for hotel accommodations have been made for  
you. You are not expected to contribute toward the expense  
of this program. Take advantage of this opportunity. We  
are expecting you. Thanks!

REGISTRATION BLANK FOR THE AMERICANISM DIVISION'S  
COUNTER-SUBVERSION AREA CONFERENCE

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" " " IN TEACHING, LECTURING, OR SPEAKING \_\_\_\_\_

STATE HERE ANY OTHER EXPERIENCE, STUDY, OR WORK YOU HAVE DONE WHICH YOU FEEL QUALIFIES YOU FOR THIS COURSE.

CHECK CONFERENCE TO BE ATTENDED:

WASHINGTON, FEBRUARY 11-12 \_\_\_\_\_

CHICAGO, FEBRUARY 18-19 \_\_\_\_\_

PORTLAND, FEBRUARY 25-26 \_\_\_\_\_

FORT WORTH, MARCH 4-5 \_\_\_\_\_

I CERTIFY ON HONOR THAT I HAVE NEVER BEEN AND AM NOT NOW A MEMBER OF THE COMMUNIST PARTY, THE NAZI BUND, AND FASCIST OR OTHER SUBVERSIVE ORGANIZATIONS EXCEPT AS HEREINAFTER LISTED.

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TO THE LAW-ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS OF ELEVEN WESTERN STATES.

The American Legion Western Area Conference on National Security and Counter-subversive activities will be held in Portland, Oregon.

Friday, the 24th

Saturday, 25th

Sunday, 26th

As indicated in the enclosed folder, the subject matter to be discussed will be of great importance to all law-enforcement organizations.

There will be round-table discussions and open forums for those in attendance.

The speakers are the very best obtainable; each one an outstanding leader in his field.

There will be no collection; nor will you be asked to contribute financially to this program.

As a responsible law-enforcement officer, I urge you to attend this most timely and important conference.

Wire for reservations for rooms to American Legion, Multnomah Hotel, Portland, Oregon. (Special rates have been obtained for this Conference.)

Time is short - DO IT NOW.

*Charles P. Pray*  
CHARLES P. PRAY - Chief of Police,  
Bureau of Police - Portland, Oregon

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